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## THE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

### TENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF NATIONAL ORGANIZATION

### DR. WILLIAMS ON SURGICAL TOPIC

**Gives Instructive Lecture—Dentist Section Holds Separate Big Meeting—Dr. P. Augustus Johnson Elected President.**

Special by National Negro Press Bureau.

NEW YORK, August 31.—The tenth annual session of the National Medical Association brought fully 1,200 delegates and visitors to the city during the past few days. The organization embraces the leading physicians, surgeons, dentists and pharmacists of the country. Nearly three hundred of them were enrolled, representing twenty-nine States. The largest single delegation came from Washington, D. C. No body that has gathered here in years has attracted more widespread attention nor evoked heartier encomiums. Thrift, industry, intelligence, substance and competence were indicated in their appearance, and their coming marked a distinct epoch in the professional life of this community. It is no small feat for any organization to make itself felt in a metropolis of four and a quarter million souls, and the fact that these enterprising scientific men and women of the race secured such splendid recognition at the hands of the public officials, the press and citizens generally, and made such a lasting impression, is the highest compliment that could be paid to them as vital forces in the work of racial redemption.

SESSIONS OPEN AT THE PLAZA.

The opening session was held Tuesday morning at the elegant Plaza assembly rooms, 110 East 59th street, with Dr. W. H. Wright, of Baltimore, president of the association, in the chair, and Dr. John A. Kenney, of Tuskegee, Ala., acting as secretary. Dr. P. Augustus Johnson, chairman of the local committee, gave the association a warm welcome and turned over to it the keys of the city. The president's annual address dealt with the growth and development of the organization in the ten years of its history, and spoke for it an increasing degree of influence and a larger sphere of activity in the future. The reports of the secretary, executive board, treasurer and other officers and committees were heard and a healthy condition of affairs was indicated. Dr. Kenney's report showed that there are 1,017 Negro physicians in sixteen States, 168 drug stores and 36 hospitals run by and for Negroes. He urged among other things an indorsement by the association of the labors of the committee of 100 of the American Health League, which is striving for the creation of a national health bureau at Washington.

At the afternoon session the program embraced the following: Paper, "The Relation of Acute Intestinal Diseases to Lesions of the Liver," Dr. J. E. Hunter, Lexington, Ky.; discussion, by George C. Hall, of Chicago, Ill.; paper, "Gastritis," George Williams, Charlotte, N. C.; discussion, by A. A. Wyche, Charlotte, N. C.; paper, "Minor Details in Abdominal Surgery, W. H. Hughes, Richmond, Va.; discussion, by H. E. Connor, Brookhaven, Miss.; paper, "Proprietary Preparations vs. Practical Pharmacy," Mrs. J. P. H. Coleman, an energetic lady pharmacist and manufacturer, of Newport News, Va.

GREAT MEETING AT ST. MARK'S.

In the evening an immense public meeting was held at St. Mark's M. E. Church, 53rd street, near 8th avenue. Despite the inclement weather, more than 2,000 persons crowded the spacious auditorium to the doors and many were unable to gain admission. Handsomely attired ladies from every section of the country, and tasteful decorations, made the scene a vast picture of beauty and grace. The program was lengthy, but the audience remained throughout and joined enthusiastically in the spirit of the occasion.

Dr. Gustavus Henderson, president of the Medico-Chirurgical Society of New York City, presided and introduced the speakers most felicitously.

Hon. P. H. McGowan, acting for Mayor George B. McClellan, delivered a cordial address of welcome on behalf of the city. As a trustee in the Polyclinic Hospital of the City of New York he had some knowledge of the value of those who practice the healing art, and the magnificent organization of physicians, surgeons, dentists and pharmacists, and trained nurses as well, had his fullest sympathy and encouragement. He referred in complimentary terms to the wonderful progress that had been made by the colored people in this country, as evidenced by the prosperous, happy and substantial body of men and women in attendance upon these sessions, and applauded their patriotic love for America—in his opinion, the best country on the face of the earth. The response of Dr. A. Wilberforce Williams, of Chicago, was dignified and impressive, and his tribute to the memory of the late Gen. George B. McClellan, the father of New York, mayor, praising his valorous service in defense of the Union and the freedom of the slave, was received with pronounced demonstrations of approval.

A second address of welcome was delivered by Rev. Walter H. Brooks, pastor of St. Mark's Church, and Dr. George E. Cannon expressed the appreciation of the Medico-Chirurgical Society of the City of New York and of teh North Jersey Medical Association. Dr. C. V. Roman, one of the South's most prominent physicians, a former president of the National Association, and now filling the chair on diseases of the nose, ear and throat, at Meharry Medical School at Nashville, Tenn., in response, presented one of the wittiest anad most beautifully worded addresses of the convention. Following Dr. Roman's eloquent deliverance, Dr. H. Stanton McCard spoke, and announcement of invitations to the various hospitals of the city was made by Mr. John J. Kell.

OVATION TO DR. ROBERT REYBURN.

Dr. Robert Reyburn, dean of the medical department of Howard University, was introduced and was accorded a hearty reception. Dr. Reyburn fought in the Civil War and was one of the active promoters of the Freedmen's Bureau, which assisted Negro slaves to gain their freedom and controlled fifty-six hospitals in aid of Union soldiers wounded at the front. With Gen. O. O. Howard, he took a conspicuous part in establishing Howard University for the higher education of the colored people, and founded therein, amid much opposition, a medical department for the training of colored men as physicians. He was a contemporary of Frederick Douglass and Sojourner Truth, and his stoyr of the early struggles to secure a footing for the Negro in the medical profession was quite interesting. During his more than fifty years of service the Negro has had no stronger friend or champion than Dr. Reyburn.

Mr. Augustus A. Haston rendered a baritone solo, "The Two Grenadiers," and Dr. W. H. Wright, of Baltimore, and Dr. Charles F. Meserve, president of Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C., made short talks of an informing character.

The principal theme of the convention series was "Tuberculosis," and Dr. Richard A. Taylor, of this city, who led off with the formal discussion of the topic, dealt exhaustively with the branch touching the problem of "Tuberculosis: A Clinical Problem of the Tenements," and in a supplementary treatment of the same subject Dr. E. P. Roberts, also of New York, introduced practical suggestions looking to the checking of the ravages of the dread disease, among the colored people especially. Dr. Taylor's suggestion that victims of tuberculosis be isolated in attractive institutions maintained at public expenses, as a means of preventing the spread of the "white plague," met with general indorsement.

Wednesday was "clinic day," and the delegates gathered as a body at Lincoln Hospital, one of New York's most famous institutions, located at 141st street and Southern boulevard. The exercises began at 9 a. m. and continued until late in the afternoon.

An operation of unusual importance, involving a new system of abdominal surgery, and illustrating the use of modern surgical instruments and appliances, was performed by Dr. A. M. Curtis, of Washington, D. C., formerly surgeon-in-chief of Freedmen's Hospital. Another notable operation on the breast was performed by Dr. Daniel H. Williams, of Chicago, who was also surgeon-in-chief of Freedmen's Hospital several years ago. Dr. Williams handled two abdominal cases, and was followed by Dr. George C. Hall, of Chicago, and Dr. J. E. Hunter, of Lexington, Ky., who gave some valuable experiments in major surgery and afforded an opportunity for profitable investigation on the part of the profession and the laity in attendance.

At the Plaza the following program was carried out in the afternoon, with Dr. John R. Francis, one of Washington's most noted practitioners in the chair. It may be remarked, parenthetically, that Dr. Francis proved to be one of the most informing factors in the body, cool in debate, sound in his reasoning, clear in working out knotty problems, and gave President Wright much valuable assistance at critical moments. The program was as follows:

Paper, "Obstetrics anad Some Obstetrical Problems," Dr. H. F. Gamble, Charleston, W. Va. Discussion by J. J. France, Portsmouth, Va.

Paper, "The Treatment of Inguinal Adenitis," Robert J. Abele, Philadelphia, Pa. Discussion by C. L. Carter, Harrisburg, Pa.

Paper, "Experimental Surgery," A. M. Brown, Birmingham, Ala. Discussion by Willis E. Sterrs, of Decatur, Ala.

Paper, "A Plea for Suggestive Therapy," W. J. Parks, Asbury Park, N. J. Discussion by W. W. Wolfe, Newark, N. J.

Dr. A. M. Brown, of Birmingham, precipitated a lively discussion, in which nearly eevry physician participated, by advocating the somewhat startling and unusual policy of utilizing the vivisection of criminals condemned to death as subjects for surgical experimentation. Dr. Brown's paper, which was the storm-center of the most exciting discussion of the convention, made the argument that where it is necessary for a criminal to die, his death should be made to contribute to science. The condemned criminal owed the State a debt, he held, and surgeons too long had depended upon experimental operations on charity patients.

"Consign those condemned to death to the prison hospital, to the operating table; lay aside the relic of barbarism, the gallows, and the more modern electric chair, each of which, without benefit to any community, simply wreaks vengeance upon its victims. Both have long ago lost their power in producing the desired effect for which they were originally intended." Dr. Brown favored the appointment of a staff of surgeons "whose material for the advancement of civilization and surgical science would come through the law of the land in the form of criminals, who, by this method of extreme punishment, would not expiate crime without serving the real purpose for which such an ignominious death was intended—that of deterring others."

WOMEN'S FEDERATION SENDS GREETING.

A pleasing diversion was the advent of a delegation of charming ladies, representing the National Federation of Colored Women, which was in session at the Concord Baptist Church, in Brooklyn. The party called to extend fraternal greetings from their organization. An admirable address, directing attention to the sympathetic relations existing between woman and the medical profession, was delivered by Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, honorary president of the National Federation and one of the most brilliant and best known platform orators in the country. Responses in happy vein were made by Dr. H. F. Gamble, of Charleston, W. Va., chairman of the executive committee of the National Medical Association, whose dignity and poise and strong conservatism have given the organization additional prestige year by year; President W. H. Wright; Dr. A. Wilberforce Williams, who possesses the rare capacity for saying the right thing at the right time and in the right way; Dr. C. W. Childs, whose force of character, tactful utterance and ready grasp of a situation held the vessel in the middle of the stream when the breakers threatened, and Dr. R. F. Boyd, whose geniality and classic lore, coupled with the knightly habit of "framing up" diplomatic language, led the convention to dub him its "ladies' man."

DR. WILLIAMS LECTURES ON SURGICAL TOPIC.

A lecture far out of the ordinary, the first of its kind enjoyed by the association, was that delivered by Dr. Daniel H. Williams at the Plaza in the evening, on "Crushing Injuries of the Extremities." A large and unusually attentive audience was in attendance and listened to the scholarly presentation of the subject with unilagging interest from beginning to end. Dr. Williams read a graphic outline of the anatomical aspect of the theme, giving studies in anatomy and bone structure, following with forty stereopticon views illustrating the effect of various injuries to the extremities, each picture being taken from life and occurring in his own practice. Many seemingly incurable fractures and lesions had been successfully treated through the methods he described with great skill and familiarity, and the association was so gratified that on motion of Dr. Childs a vote of thanks was unanimously tendered Dr. Williams for the magnificent treat he had afforded them. The "slides" were handled with painstaking care and the drawings were life-like and convincing. Other papers presented during the evening were:

"Causes and Prevention of Death During Anaesthesia," Dr. John W. Mitchell, of Washington, D. C.; discussion by Dr. John A. Kenney, Tuskegee, Ala.; "Professional Care of Deciduous Teeth," D. A. Ferguson, D. D. S., Richmond, Va.; discussion by Charles H. Roberts, D. D. S., New York City; "The Modern Hospital," Dr. N. F. Mossell, of Philadelphia, head of the stae of physicians in charge of the Frederick Douglas Hospital. In the discusssion, Dr. R. F. Boyd, of Nashville, Tenn., who has had large experience in hospital management, and is a recognized authority on all matters pertaining to the maintenance and advancement of these useful institutions, laid especial stress upon the necessity for the hospital controlled by Negroes. Only through the hospital managed by our own people can the Negro physician perfect himself in the delicate phases of his profession; only through them can the Negro surgeon become a master of his art, and only through them can the Negro trained nurse practice her profession with satisfaction. White physicians do not, as a rule, care to consult with his colored brother, and the colored patient thrives best amid surroundings that are congenial, environments that suggest sympathy and beget confidence. Dr. A. C. McClennan, of South Carolina, made important suggestions, and all agreed that Dr. Mossell's paper had drawn out one of the convention's most profitable exchanges of opinion.

An interesting meeting was held separately by the dental section, with Dr. W. S. Lofton, of Washington, D. C., presiding. Out of the fifty members enrolled throughout the country, about twenty-five were present. Three special topics along dental lines were given a hearing. Dr. Lofton was retained as the head of the section and Dr. C. Sumner Wormley was detailed as an assistant executive officer.

GATHERING UP THE THREADS.

By far the largest audience gathered at the Plaza assembly rooms to witness the proceedings arranged for Thursday. The rain, that had been falling steadily for two days, ceased, and the sun that peeped shyly through the clouds encouraged the ladies to don some of the stunning costumes that thus far had been reposing in their trunks. Dr. John B. Hall, of Boston, started the ball rolling briskly with a paper on "Obsonins and the Obsonic Index in Medicine," with able discussion by Dr. Frank F. Davis, of Cambridge, Mass., and supplementary remarks by Drs. Geo. C. Hall, A. M. Curtis and W. G. Bailey, of Chicago.

Dr. W. S. Lofton read an illuminating paper on "The Duty of the Profession to the Laity," which was followed by a discsusion by Dr. C. C. Fry, of Washington, D. C. Dr. H. Reginald Smith, of Chicago, presented "A Socio-Economical Study in Tuberculosis," after which Dr. J. O. Robinson, of Darlington, S. C., read the closing address of the technical series, handling in splendid style the subject, "The Present Relation of the Physic to the Therapeutic and Physiologic in To-day's Practice of Medicine." The points in this exhaustive study in psychic influences in the practice of medicine brought forth some unique experiences, related by Drs. Cabaniss, Francis, E. D. Williston, M. O. Dumas, Curtis and others.

At the meeting of the surgical section Dr. A. M. Curtis was unanimously elected president, and the medical section conferred a similar honor on Dr. C. W. Childs. Both selections are regarded as excellent, and from the plans they have outlined, long strides may be looked for in the development of their respective branches of medical inquiry.

VERNON AND ANDERSON SPEAK.

The session was enlivened by the presence of Dr. W. T. Vernon, Register of the Treasury, Washington, D. C., and Mr. Charles W. Anderson, Collector of Internal Revenue for the Second District of New York, who delivered short, pithy addresses, which stirred up enthusiasm to a high pitch. Both spoke in an encouraging strain of the Negro physician, and expressed gratification that so many able men of the profession were taking high places in such an exacting calling and elevating the race by a contact closer than that given to any other class of uplifting agencies. Mr. Anderson hinted that he knew nothing about medicine, and that he might make "an old-fashioned political speech," if left to his own choice. In any event, he injected the only admixture of politics to which the convention had been treated, by a declaration that the masses needed the leadership of free men, unshackled by office—men who needed no Federal office to sustain them and who were thus independent of the salaries attached. He said:

"It is good to hold office, but it is better to be free to assail enemies or to defend friends. Offices are good enough in their place. I like mine, and want to hold it as long as I can; but, for real leadership, the Negro race needs tall, brave men, who can earn their living in business and industrial pursuits. There is a shadow over our lives, and it can be removed only by unselfish, patriotic men, who cannot be silenced by Federal pie, or who are in a position to talk because of their freedom from official alliances. Only free men can assert their rights as independent, untrammeled citizens. God is ever on the side of a brave people."

In closing, he said if by some strange lack of foresight or failure to appreciate the merits of a great and good man, the Republican party should be removed from power and he should be asked to step down and out, it was his sincere wish that the then dominant party would see to it that his successor shall be a colored representative of that party.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

When the decks were cleared for the election of officers, it was evident that some "fine work" was "coming off," and the expectation was fully realized. From the opening of the meeting the favorite candidate for the presidency was Dr. P. Augustus Johnson, of New York, but there was an undercurrent for an outsider, and some shrewd "gum-shoe" campaigning was indulged in, with a hope of finding a man around whom the opposition could rally. Dr. Johnson was put in nomination, as was also Dr. Gustavus Henderson; then the name of Dr. Daniel H. Williams, of Chicago, was sprung as the long-sought-for dark horse. It is understood that Dr. Williams was not a candidate and that his name was used without consulting him. His name, however, was voted upon, and the race became very warm before the result was announced. Dr. Johnson received 62 votes, and was declared elected, being carried to the platform upon the shoulders of his admirers. Thirty-eight votes weer cast for Dr. Williams and 17 went to Dr. Henderson. Dr. W. S. Lofton was chosen vice president; Dr. John A. Kenney, general secretary; Dr. A. Wilberforce Williams, treasurer, with the remaining officers to be selected by the sections at interest. Boston was chosen as the next place of meeting, winning easily over Washington, despite the fact that the capital was favored by a majority of the committee on place. Many delegates evinced a desire to carry the convention to the South, where the bulk of the race and profession reside, and it is likely to go to Atlanta or Birmingham next time.

Great as New York is for brilliant social functions, it has never been the scene of a banquet of such dazzling splendor as the closing function given by the local committee on Thursday evening, at Murray Hill Lyceum, one of the finest halls in the country. Nearly one thousand diners were served at one time, the long rows of tables being filled by daintily-gowned ladies and manly men, typifying the highest intelligence, culture and substance of the race. The picture was one that can never be forgotten by those who take pride in the concrete demonstration of the race's advancement. It was absolutely indescribable; in the language of the story writer, "it beggared description." Dr. W. G. Alexander, of Orange, N. J., made an admirable toastmaster. In the midst of the speech-making Dr. Booker T. Washington entered the hall, and proceedings had to be suspended for several minutes, until the tumultuous ovation accorded him could subside. In response to call later, he made a brief speech of thanks. The toasts were responded to in the following order:

"Our Guests," Dr. York Russell; "Our Hosts," Dr. Amanda V. Gray; "The Allied Professions," Dr. William Slowe; "The Citizens' Committee," Hon. Charles W. Anderson; "Education," Prof. W. L. Bulkeley; "The Clergy," Rev. H. C. Bishop; "The Press," Mr. Fred R. Moore; "The National Medical Association," Dr. R. F. Boyd; "Our Legal Friends," Counselor J. D. Carr; "The Local Society: Its Value," Dr. C. H. Sheppard; "Our Future," Dr. W. H. Wright.

The tenth annual session of the National Medical Association outranked all previous meetings in point of numbers, depth of interest manifested, and in the number and brilliance of the social functions provided. The officers are encouraged beyond measure to go on in the good work and have faith in the future of the organization as an agency for the relief of humanity and for the professional unity of the increasing army of colored physicians, surgeons, dentists and pharmacists coming each year out of our great institutions.

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Remember, we are publishing one of the best weekly newspapers in the country for those who like fresh news matter timely editorials, interesting stage news items important to women and the best of sporting gossip of the week.

INTERESTED.

## SPRINGFIELD IS NOW QUIET

### ALL CONDITIONS RESUME THEIR NORMAL STATE

### NO ILL FEELING BETWEEN THE RACES

**All Colored Working Men Busy Many Returning to the City—Lesson to be Learned—Suits Filed for Damage.**

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Everything in our city is quiet and conditions are resuming their normal state. I do not believe there are many people who have gone away permanently. The coal mines and street paving work and brick yards, where the largest numbers of colored people work, never discharged any one, and all are working as they formerly did. The colored people never left the Leland Hotel. It was the proprietor of the Leland, so I am informed, who told the colored help to go on at their work, and that so long as he stayed at the Leland the colored people might stay. W. J. Butler, bank receiver, lawyer and politician, declared that he got threats to discharge his colored help at his private residence, but that he would not, and that he dared any man to tell him what to do. "I will keep my faithful colored servant as long as I please," declared Mr. Butler. A number of rich people got anonymous letters informing them to discharge their colored help, but few, if any, have paid any attention to them, except to turn them over to the government authorities, who are secretly looking for the offenders.

We all deplore the incident, but the colored people will gain nothing by becoming discontented, selling out and moving away. All efforts will be put forth to pacify the community, restore perfect tranquility and prosperity. There appears to be no ill feeling between the colored and white people who stand for something in their community. We never hear the unfortunate affair discussed, even.

The men at the Leland are going ahead as usual. The demolition of the old structure is nearly completed, after which work will begin immediately on the new Leland. Messrs. Chapman and Burns are now back at the Leland. Claude Pemberton, who went to Chicago, has not returned. U. G. Cabbell has returned. So have E. B. Smith and the force at the Illinois Cafe and Buffet. The colored help has also resumed work at the St. Nicholas Hotel. A. W. Naylor, J. M. Mosby, Ed Wormerley, Mr. Sublett and others have returned to their respective jobs at the State House. Capt. R. A. Byd and Thos. W. Warrick are back at their desks at the Insurance Department.

Your correspondent would advise colored people to go at their usual businesses and open more. Buy property; emigrate to Springfield now; the prospects are that prperty will be cheaper and the town a more decent place to live in. All the "undesirables," white and colored, have been forced out of town. There are no dives here, and we predict that Springfield will be the real place. Go to work; if you can't get $1.50 per day, take $1 until you can do better. Save 2 1-2 cents out of every 5 cents; read the colored papers and magazines and the best white magazines, especially Ray Stannard Baker's articles. The article in the September number capped the climax, and paid the highest possible tribute to the colored race. I would that every colored man who can read, read that article. The September number and The Freeman are for sale by E. L. Rogers. Don't miss them.

Let us take no steps backward; we cannot affodr it. B. H. Bellamy has lots for sale at Red Bird, a Negro town in Oklahoma. Every young man who can will not err by buying one. So has A. W. Naylor, at Wilberforce, O. We must quit so much of this superfluous eating and dressing and become stronger financially and intellectually. For Jehovah's and your own sakes, patronize Negroes in business. You saw the spirit of the other fellows during the riot—did not want to sell you a lunch, not even groceries. Now, let us resolve to stand together, and, above all, let us patronize that class of white men who advertise in colored papers and who appreciate the colored people and those who were not terrified by the "threats," etc. Also, let us see how manly, and polite and discreet we can be, not humiliation nor subjugation. It will pay. Help the Negroes who stand for and are trying to do something. Look at The Freeman, an excellent paper; had the best and most accurate account of the riot the very next issue. There should be over fifty regular subscribers for it. We cannot get you colored people, to a large enough extent, to read what we know is good and medicinal prescription, but you must.

The Wood River Baptist Association convened at Alton this week. Rev. S. C. Manuel, M. C. Elzy, A. W. Williams and Mrs. A. L. Stewart were among those attending. Rev. Earnest Hull, the moderator, tendered his resignation in order that he might have more time to give to his literary studies....H. H. Long was called to Kentucky last week, where his wife and boy had gone the week previous, to attend the funeral of his son, who died sudddenly. He and his wife have the sympathy of their host of friends, and especially that of the members of Capital City Lodge, K. of P....Rev. C. H. Jones has been sick at Decatur, for two weeks, with rheumatism....O. V. Royall has returned from Chicago....C. S. Gibbs has returned from Columbus, O., well pleased with that city....The annual conference of the A. M. E. Church, which was to have met here September 23, has been changed to Bloomington, to meet September 30 in that city....The Freeman will be found for the time being for sale at Neil & Brown's restaurant, or 305 1-2 South Sixth street....Neil & Brown have reopened their restaurant at the same place and are ready for business as usual. ....Grady & Webster have opened their business place at the old stand, and have

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BY "DOROTHY"

This column is devoted to the interests of all women and their organizations also. Address all communications to Dorothy, The Freeman Indianapolis, Ind.

## THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK.

An evil intention perverts the best actions and makes them sins.

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In every action reflect upon the end; and in your undertaking it consider why you do it.

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One good mother is worth a hundred schoolmasters. In the home she is a loadstone to all hearts and a load-star to all eyes.

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Half of the misery of human life might be extinguished by mutual offices of compassion, benevolence and humanity.

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Education is a better safeguard to liberty than a standing army.

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Be what nature intended you for, and you will suceed; be anything else and you will be ten thousands times worse than nothing.

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"A thoroughbred never whines." Meet with courage whatever comes to you. Take hold of it squarely and the fear will vanish.

## ADVICE TO WOMEN DELEGATES.

In the August issue of the Mission Herald Miss Nannie H. Burroughs gives some wholesome advice to women who expect to attend the Lexington convention, which all women would do ewll to follow when going to any convention. The following is what she says:

A word to the women who are coming to Lexington: Some folks have been saying that they do not want women delegates, because they are too much trouble. One woman says that they have "too much pressing to do" and that she can't keep up her ironing board al the week. Another says that she hasn't any time to fool with the "hair-straightening brigade" who put curling irons in lamps and burn the gas half a day, straightening their "locks." Another says that women never have anything of their own, but that you have got to lend them pins and shoe polish, soap, hair brush and other toilet requisites. Now, women, it doesn't require very much common sense to teach us that we ought to have our own hair brush, tooth brush, nail brush, safety pins, comb and wash rag. Don't wait to get to Lexington to buy these things, bring them with you. Pack your clothes carefully, folding your waists and white dresses in newspapers and you will never have any pressing to do. Of course, we can not advise you on the "hair straightening business," because we don't indulge, but if you just must straighten it every time you perspire, bring along a little alcohol lamp and enough alcohol to last you a week and save the ladies' lamp chimneys and gas bill. Another woman says that women throw their clothes all over the room and that "they are dressing and messing from the time they land until they leave." It is a mighty easy thing to hang up or fold up as you go and leave room in perfect order. It is hardly necessary tell you to make up your own bed and put your room in order the first thing in the morning. It is hardly necessary to tell you to ascertain at just what hour the meals will be served and if you can not be on time, notify your hostess and do not have her wait for you. People can not change the order of things in their homes because you happen to be sent as a delegates to the National Meeting. Get up and get a move on you. Of course, there are some women who are nuisances at home and abroad, but we trust that the women who attend our National Meetings will observe the ordinary rules of decorum about the home and will make those who entertain them glad to have them again. We can make sentiment for our convention by our conduct in the homes in which we are placed.

Another word: There are a number of women who have the habit of putting on our badges and parading about the streets and going any and everywhere. If you have on a badge of the oWmen's Convention at Lexington, you represent our organization and we want you to be mighty careful not to misrepresent it. We stand for the highest development of Christian Womanhood and any woman who is not upon this plan and does not stand for this in spirit and in act would do us a favor by not buying one of the badges.

Now, a word to those women who can not stay away from the men's meeting. eW want every woman who is interested or can becom einterested in the work we are doing. The disinterested ones annoy us by trotting in and out of the convention. If you are more interested in what the women are doing, you have our permission to go over there where they are and stay there.

## A FOOLISH WOMAN.

The colored woman who was urging a foolish number of men to kill Andrews, who was mainly instrumental in capturing Jesse Coe, the murderer and fugitive from justice, was perhaps trying to imitate Mrs. Howard, who led the Springfield mob recently. Perhaps had she read the evening papers giving an account of Mrs. Howard's suicide, having been indicted and arrested for the murder of Scott Burton, she would have refrained from following in her footsteps. When women go so far as to break the law and lend their help and influence to disorder, they should be given time in prison, giving them time to recover their senses.

Let us give our help to the enforcement of the law to the letter, to prevent crime and disgrace.

Mrs. Scott Burton, widow of the first colored man murdered by the Springfield mob, has filed suit against the city for $5,000, which the law allows the survivors of the persons on whom mobs have meaked their vengeance.

## FOR THE AUTUMN BRIDES.

The friends of the prospective autumn brides may give them a "plant shower," "recipe shower," "sachet shower," "bag shower" and a "hosiery shower," all of which would be very acceptable.

Soup made of fried wasp is a Chinese delicacy.

As far as known there are forty-eight kinds of horseflies.

## FRENCH CHALK FOR SPOTS.

If a girl is away from a cleaners and she finds one of her frocks spotted with grease, she can try the simple remedy of French chalk and a hot iron. The chalk is spread thickly over the spot until all the grease is absorbed. Then a piece of blotting paper is put over it and a warm, not hot, iron is placed over it to draw the grease into the paper. Rub off the chalk with a soft silk or muslin rag and the spot will probably have disappeared.

## HEALTH AND COMFORT

Tuberculosis seems to be the most common disease nowadays, causing so many deaths. It is caused by colds, lack of proper food, lack of exercise and many other things. The safest plan is to consult your physician in regard to preventing it and not wait until you are sure that you have it.

Do not forget the importance of the bath. You must keep clean to be healthy. Water is free, and soap about the cheapest thing on the market.

## THINGS WORTH KNOWING.

To carry blouses in a suitcase successfully, place them one above the other on a padded coat hanger. Lay them in with the width of the blouse along the length of the suitcase so that they fold back near the waist line. On arriving at your destination it is very easy to lift out the hanger with the waists on it. Seven waists have been carried in this way with much satisfaction.

A button sewed on the neck band of a shirtwaist with loose thread serves splendidly to fasten on the collar, doing away with the collar button which so often hurts the neck.

It is a good plan to fold a veil and pin it in your hat, thus preparing yourself for a sudden shower, if you are found without an umbrella. If you have a hat with feathers you can protect them.

A pretty way to use your old ribbons and the old ties of the men of the house is to cut them in strips and sew them as you would carpet rags, and wind them on a ball, make a frame about the size of a sofa pillow and one-inch strips of wood and put nails about an inch apart on opposite sides. Wind the rags around these nails across the frame and thread a bodkin with the rags. Weave them back and forth and the result will be a stunning sofa pillow top. Satteen makes a good back for it.

If you are not able to buy a fine corset get a plain one of good material, follow the seams with a beading and ribbon, and you will have a very dainty garment.

Patent fasteners from old kid gloves make good placket fasteners.

## USEFUL RECIPES.

### BROILED FISH.

Split open a firm fish, after cleaning, and remove backbone. Spread with soft butter, dredge lightly with flour and season with salt and pepper. Place fish on a buttered pan or fish sheet and cook under the gas flame, the time depending upon the thickness of the fish. Serve on a hot platter and garnish with slices of lemon and parsley.

### PANNED TOMATOES.

Select medium sized tomatoes, not too ripe, and cut in halves. Place in a buttered pan, and spread with soft butter; also sprinkle with salt, paprika and flour. Onion juice and minced parsley may be added if desired. Cook under gas flame (or in oven if broiler is full) until tender and lightly browned, then serve on rounds of toast. A brown sauce may thus be poured around them at serving time. For the sauce use three tablespoons each of butter and flour, a cup of boiling water (or stock) and seasoning of salt, pepper, Worcestershire sauce and kitchen bouquet.

### CRAB MEAT IN SHELLS.

Rub the yolks of two hard-cooked eggs to a paste with three tablespoons of soft butter, add juice of a lemon, salt, mustard and paprika and blend with a pint of cooked crab meat. Add chopped whites of eggs, about half a cupful of cream and two beaten eggs. Place mixture in baking shells (or hollowed out tomatoes) and cover with buttered cracker crumbs. Parmesau cheese may be used on top if preferred. Brown all in a hot oven and serve at once. Mixture may be heated through before filling the shells and then browned over quickly underneath the gas flame.

### CHEESE STRAWS.

Make a paste of one cup of flour, two-thirds of a cup of grated cheese, the yolk of two eggs, tablespoons of soft butter, salt, pepper and milk to moisten. Roll and fold as for pastry. Cut into strips after spreading with unbeaten white of an egg and bake quickly.

### INDIVIDUA LFRUIT CHARLOTTES.

Whip one pint of sweetened cream quite stiff and set a cupful aside in a strainer to use in decorating. To the remainder add flavoring extract or sherry and blend lightly with half a cup of each of cut pineapple, sliced peaches or strawberries (when in season) or oranges, also halved pecans and one-fourth cup Maraschino cherries sliced. Line serving glasses with split lady fingers, fill with fruit mixture and garnish with balance of cream which has been tinted with Burnett's color pastes. Use the pastry bag and small tubes, and place a cherry cut in tulip fashion in the center.

# Race Gleanings

## RACE GLEANINGS.

### BOOKER T. WASHINGTON.

The word is writ that he who runs may read
What is the passing breath of earthly fame?
But to snatch glory from the hands of blame—
That is to be, to live, to strive, indeed.
A poor Virginia cabin gave the seed,
And from its dark and lowly door there came
A peer of princes in the world's acclaim,
A MASTER SPIRIT for the nation's need.
Strong, silent, purposeful beyond his kind.
The mark of rugged force on brow and lip,
Straight on he goes, nor turns to look behind,
Where hot the hounds come baying at his hip,
With one idea foremost in his mind,
Like the keen prow of some onforging ship!

PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR.

Feeling in the packed court house became so intense that the speaker was hissed from the platform.

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George Hunt, who recently died at Galveston, Tex., was 100 years old and left considerable valuable property.

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Monumental Lodge of Elks of Baltimore, Md., organized a few years ago, has over 400 members, and is in a strong condition financially.

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The Odd Fellows of the State of Texas have raised their insurance policy from $300 to $500. They, it is said, lead all other Negro societies in this line .

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Rev. E. C. Branch, a popular divine of Houston, Tex., in a lengthy article in a recent issue of the Houston Post, declared that the Negro vote should go to Bryan.

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Under advice of the Attorney General the Superintendent of Public Instruction of Kentucky has held up the $500,000 appropriation for the State normal schools. He thinks that the law is unconstitutional.

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It is estimated the rioting in Springfield will cost the taxpayers of this city, county and state nearly $200,000. The cost has been estimated thus: Damage claims against city and county for destruction

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Judge Brunet of Baton Rouge, La., has imposed a fine of $2,000 on the St. Louis Iron Mountain & Southern Railroad for refusing to provide equal accommodations for Negro passengers to that of the white.

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Practically every essential point in the invasion plan has been worked out and forwarded to the War Department by Capt. Young, who is the only colored graduate of West Point in the United States Army. He is now in the Philippines with his regiment.

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Sheriff E. L. Martin and Deputy Sheriff Chas. Park eorf Lincoln county, Okla., were ambushed by sixteen Negroes in a Negro neighborhood and both men were shot several days ago. It is reported that one Negro was killed and another fatally wounded before the shooting ceased.

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Ten of the fourteen men charged with being members of the mob which made an attack on the county jail in Norfolk, Vt., last week in an attempt to lynch two colored men, were fined $100 and costs with sixty days in jail. They have appealed their cases and have been released on bond pending action of the upper court.

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A jury trying the case of a colored man in Clayton, Mo., last week for murder being unable to agree, before retiring at night knelt beside their cots and each member asked divine guidance in arriving at a verdict. On the first ballot taken the next morning without discussion the man was acquitted.

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oflife and property, $100,000; maintenance of 4500 soldiers (averaging six days each, $2 per day), $10,000; officers' pay, $10,000; transportation of troops, $7,000; rent and feed of horses (600 head), $5,400; grand jury investigation, $1,000; special deputies, etc., feeding prisoners and othe rincidentals, $5,000; total, $191,850.

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At the recent meeting of the Thirty-first Annual Grand Lodge of Alabama, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Grand Master Henry Claxton Benford of Huntsville warned the body to not enter the unions into the order, in a stirring address. He referred to recent outbreaks at Birmingham, Ala. Mr. Binford is editor of the Huntsville Journal.

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A dozen Negro whitecappers on August 8, at Wadesboro, N. C., thoroughly disguised, entered the place where Frank Houston conducted a "speak-easy," next door to the colored Methodist church. Houston was taken to the woods and given a severe lashing with buggy whips, then told to leave Wadesboro and Anson county, never to return on pain of death.

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The State of Kentucky has started out on a new track. She has passed a new school law placing all colored schools under educated white commissioners instead of ignorant Negro trustees. There is some kicking, but the state superintendent of public instruction, Mr. J. G. Grabble, says that he will enforce an equal opportunity for the education of the Negro children with the whites.

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The first Negro newspaper ever issued in the state of Nevada was born Wednesday, August 19, and is to be known as the Goldfield Commercial Review. The Review is to be devoted to commercial and financial interests of the race. It is a neatly made up sheet and bids fair to have a long life from all appearances. W. C. McFarland is editor and L. L. Brooks is business manager.

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W. T. Curtis, the wealthy saloon keeper of St. Louis, who died recently, provides in his will that his saloon be closed immediately after his death and sold as soon as practicable, so that his son may not engage in the business. He provides that his son, who is now 17, be paid $30 per month until he is 21, when the estate will pass to him. Mr. C. H. Brown, principal of the Dumas school, is executor of the will.

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Twenty-two thousand dollars cash is the price paid by the Knights of Pythias for a sanitarium at Hot Springs, Ark., last week. Two years ago they gave $48,000 for a temple at Chicago. Virginia, whose Grand Chancellor aspires to the Supreme Chancellorship, gave $3.20 toward the purchase of these two properties. Does Virginia deserve the highest office in the order?

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In an attempt to lynch a colored man who shot and killed a white man at Little Rock, Ark., a few days since, and who wa staken to Hot Springs for safe keeping. He was protected by the Hot Springs Negroes arming themselves and guarding the jail. A number of whites, deetrmined to lynch the man, went to the jail, and upon their arrival it was found they were outnumbered three to one. The showing made by the Negroes completely disturbed the balance of the wold-be white mob, and it was soon dispersed.

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Rev. W. P. Dorsey, a prominent local pastor of Huntington, Va., was hooted from the county democratic convention August 12 while speaking on the "Disfranchisement" and "Jim Crow" planks in the state democratic platform. He said that the democratic party was the only "white man's party," and that any republican who would not vote for those planks should live to see the day when "his daughter would wed a Negro and rear a brood of offsprings of the dusky sons of Ethiopia."

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The War Department has completed plans for the invasion of Haiti in case it becomes necessary to establish order there. Relying on secret reports of Capt. Charles Young of the Ninth Cavalry, who was military attache in Haiti for some time, the United States Government has been able to add recent information and perfect plans whereby troops can be now rushed from Eastern ports to Port Au Prince, Gonaives, or St. Nicholas in quick time. The Navy Department, it is said, would co-operate by rushing a cruiser to Port Au Prince and gunboats to Gonaives and St. Nicholas.

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The Atlanta Georgian, in speaking of Deal Jackson, of Dougherty county, Ga., who for several years held the record of producing, gathering and marketing the first bale of cotton in that state as well as owning hundreds of acres of rich, fertile land along with the barns, farming utensils, stock of the best money can buy, the Georgian says: "His word is as good as a bond. Deal Jackson is an every-day sermon to his race. He has shown them what a colored man can do by thrift, industry and right living.. He has shown the world that there is no better place for the Negro than the South, and that he will not only prosper when his energies are properly enlisted, but his standing with the best white people will be above reproach. South Georgia has many Negroes of Deal Jackson's class, and without exception they are prospering marvelously.

## NEGRO A WONDER AS ARTIST.

### Rare Ability Astounds Critics of High Mark.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., August 21.—Visitors to the Indiana Reformatory expect to see excellent work in many branches of industry, but there are a few things which never fail to impress the sightseer. Chief among these is the school of painting. In this department the visitor naturally expects to see plain painting of wooden and other articles made in the institution, but he is not prepared to enter what looks like an artist's studio. Yet, although in somewhat crude form, this is what he will find. The spacious shop has its walls adorned with scores of paintings from the brush of inmates.

The best artist the institution has ever possessed was a colored lad by name of Thomas, who was sentenced for grand larceny and was recentl paroled. At first he appeared to be good for only the roughest of work in the foundry, but in time a natural aptitude for painting was discovered, and, though he had never had opportunity to handle brush or palette, he was put to work in the paint shop and soon showed surprising results. Some of the most successful pieces of work in the institution were turned out by this Negro. A few specimens of his work are really creditable, and would be so in a more select company.

A screen painted in panels, in subdued colors, is a very good piece of work, and some of the pictures, including those in which figures appear, are really finely executed. The dining-room is odarned with paintings, mostly somewhat crude, done by inmates, and one facing the men as they sit at dinner never fails to attract attention of visitors. It is called "The Village Choir," and is painted on the bare brick. Some of the faces are really good, especially that of the tenor, which is a very happy hit of the first singer of the village.

## ANOTHER LARGE COLORED BANK.

On August 1 another Negro bank was opened at Durham, N. C., with a paid-up capital of $10,000. The bank is to be known as the Mechanics and Farmers' Bank, and is the third one running in that State. The Mechanics and Farmers' Bank was chartered some months ago, and since then the new building in which the bank is opened has been built and the fixtures installed. In this same building is a colored tailoring establishment, a finely equipped barber shop, a nice cafe, and also the headquarters of the largest Negro insurance company in the world. Also there are the offices of four colored physicians, one lawyer, and the headquarters of the district grand secretary of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows. In this building Negroes have invested more than $100,000 and carry on business enterprises that stretch out over a large number of Southern States.

## CRUELY ATTACKS COLORED CONVICT.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

ATLANTA, Ga., August 19.—A fight to death between two convicts armed with picks and encouraged by Deputy State Warden Bleevins, was described by General Manager Hurt, of the Georgia Coal and Iron Company, in his evidence before the legislative committee investigating the horrors of Georgia's convict system.

One day at the mines a giant colored convict became enraged at Warden Bleevins. The convict, armed with a pick, planted himself against a bank and swore he would kill the warden if he approached.

It was Bleevins' duty to handle the convict, but he sent for another convict named Charley, who was notorious as a killer, and who had a grudge against the mutineer, and told him to get the rebel.

Hurt knew Charley had killed five men, and told the warden he was abetting murder, but the warden told Charley to get his man. Then a duel with picks followed. As Charley approached, the colored man let drive with his pick, but Charley dodged the blow and sent his own pick into the other convict, the point going down through the neck and into the lungs.

The giant fell, and Charley stood over him, holding the pick by the handle. At the warden's order Charley pulled out the pick. As the pick came out, the wounded convict died.

"That is what the Georgia system makes possible," said Hurt.

## STREET CARS AND NEGRO MANNERS.

The Kansas City Post asserts that Negroes have an insolent habit of keeping their seats on cars while white women have to stand up over them. The writer has heard uncomplimentary remarks made by white men because a Negro was quick to offer his seat to a white woman. Just how the Negro is to discriminate in this matter may be of more than passing interest to some who read the Post.

It is a very unusual sight to see a white man offer his seat to a Negro woman, it matters not how refined or presentable she may be in appearance, and when one's sense of manhood does lead him to do so he is usually snubbed by others of his race to the extent that he is embarrassed. So long as sentiment among white people frowns at common civil courtesy being shown Negro women it need not surprise any one to find a reluctance on the part of Negroes to thrust their manners at the feet of those who treat them with contempt.

The Negro, however, must remember that it is he and his race who suffer most by lack of public politeness. The white man who fails to observe due rules of courtesy is seldom thought of beyond the moment, while the Negro who commits the same offense makes a lasting impression on the minds of those who witness the same. Let the black man remember that the solving of the problems with which we are confronted demands individual effort in and out of season. Let us be always on guard, to be sure that we are not the cause for withholding from our race that which other races are accorded. —The National Mirror, Kansas City, Mo.

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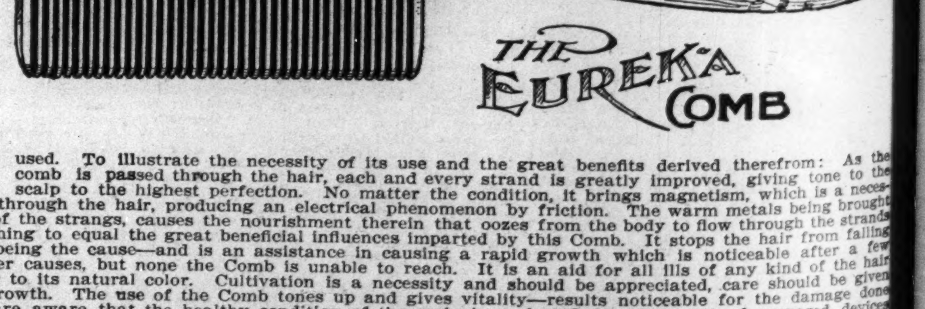


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# The Fighting Chance.

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[CONTINUED.]

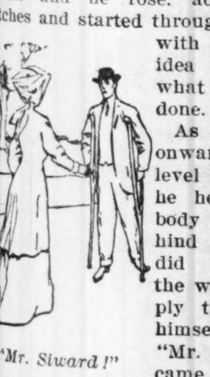
When he had gone Siward lay back in his chair, very still, eyes closed. A faint color had mounted to his face and remained there.

It was late in the afternoon when he went downstairs, using his crutches lightly. Gumble handed him a straw hat and opened the door, and Siward cautiously descended the stoop, stood for a few moments on the sidewalk, looking up at the blue sky, then wheeled and slowly made his way toward Washington square. The avenue was deserted. His own house appeared to be the only remaining house still open in all that old fashioned but respectable quarter.

A cab, driven smartly, passed through the park, the horses' feet slapping the asphalt till the echoes rattled back from the marble arch. He followed it idly with his eyes up Fifth avenue, saw it suddenly halt in the middle of the street, saw a woman spring out, stand for a moment talking to her companion, then turn and look toward the square.

She stood so long and she was so far away that he presently grew tired of watching her. A dozen ragged urchins were prowling around the fountain, casting sidelong glances at a distant policeman. But it was not hot enough that evening to permit the children to splash in the water and the policeman drove them off.

"Poor little devils!" said Siward to himself and he rose, adjusted his crutches and started through the park with a vague idea of seeing what could be done.



"Mr. Siward!"

As he limped onward, the sun level in his eyes, he heard somebody speak behind him, but did not catch the words or apply the hail to himself. Then, "Mr. Siward!" came the low, breathless voice at his elbow.

His heart stopped as he did. The sun had dazzled his eyes, and when he turned on his crutches he could not see clearly for a second. That past, he looked at Sylvia, looked at her outstretched hand, took it mechanically, still staring at her with only a dazed unbelief in his eyes.

"I am in town for a day," she said. "Leila Mortimer and I were driving uptown from the bank when we saw you, and the next thing that happened was me, on Fifth avenue, running after you—no, the next thing was my flying leap from the hansom and my standing there looking down the street and across the square where you sat. Then Leila told me I was probably crazy, and I immediately confirmed her diagnosis by running after you."

She stood laughing, flushed, sunburned and breathless, her left hand still in his, her right hand laid over it. "Oh" she said, with a sudden change to anxiety, "does it tire you to stand?"

"No. I was going to saunter along."

"May I saunter with you for a moment? I mean—I only mean, I am glad to see you."

"Do you think I am going to let you go now?" he asked, astonished.

She looked at him; then her eyes evaded his. "Let us walk a little," she said, withdrawing her hand, "if you think you are strong enough."

"Strong! Look, Sylvia!" and he stood unsupported by his crutches, then walked a little way, slowly, but quite firmly. "I am rather a coward about my foot, that is all. I shall not lug these things about after today."

"Did the doctor say you might?"

"Yes, after today. I could walk home now without them. I could do a good many things I couldn't do a few minutes ago. Isn't that curious?"

"Very," she said, avoiding his eyes.

He laughed. She dared not look at him. The excitement and impetus of sheer impulse had carried her this far. Now all the sadness of it was clutching hard at her throat, and for awhile she could not speak—walking there in her dainty summer gown beside him, the very incarnation of youth and health, with the sea tan on wrist and throat, and he, white, hollow eyed, crippled, limping, at her elbow.

Yet at that very moment his whole frame seemed to glow and his heart clamor with the courage in it, for he

Lydia Vyse.

was thinking of Plank's words, and he knew Plank had spoken the truth. She could not give herself to Quarrier if he stood firm. His was the stronger will, after all; his was the right to interfere, to stop her, to check her, to take her, draw her back—as he had once drawn her from the fascination of destruction when she had swayed out too far over the cliffs at Shotover.

"I came in with Leila. We're asked to Lenox for the week's end. We go to Stockbridge on the early train tomorrow morning," she said.

"I'm not going to let you go yet," said Siward.

"If I took to my heels here in the park, would you chase me, Stephen?" she asked, with mock anxiety.

"Yes, and if I couldn't run fast enough I'd call that policeman. Now, do you begin to understand?"

"Oh, I've always understood that you were spoiled. I'm partly guilty of the spoiling process too. Listen. I'll walk with you a little way"—she looked at him—"a little way," she continued gently; "then I must go. There is only a caretaker in our house, and Leila will be furious if I leave her all alone. Besides, we're going to dine there, and it won't be very gay if I don't give a few orders first."

"But you brought your maid."

"Naturally."

"Then telephone her that you and Leila are dining out."

"Where, silly? Do you want us to dine somewhere with you?"

"Want you? You've got to!"

"Stephen, it isn't best."

"It is best."

She turned to him impulsively. "Oh. I do want to so much! Do you think I might? It is perfectly delicious to see you again. I—you have no idea"—

"Yes, I have," he said sternly.

They turned, walking past the fountain toward Fifth avenue again. Furtively she glanced at his hands, with the city pallor on them, as they grasped the crossbars of the crutches, then looked up at his worn face. He was much thinner, but now in the softly fading light the shadows under the eyes and cheek bones seemed less sharp, his face fuller and more boyish; the contour of head and shoulders, the short, crisp hair were as she remembered, and the old charm held her, the old fascination grew, tightening her throat, stealing through every vein, stirring her pulses, awakening imperceptibly once more the best in her.

"There is no use," she said under her breath. "I can't go back to Leila. Stephen, the dreadful part of it is that I—I wish she were in Jericho! I wish the whole world were in Ballyhoo and you and I alone once more!"

Under their gay laughter quivered the undertone of excitement. Sylvia said:

"I'd like to talk to you all alone. It won't do, of course. But I may say what I'd like, mayn't I? What time is it? If I'm dining with you we've got to have Leila for convention's sake if not from motives of sheer decency, which you and I seem to lack, Stephen."

"We lack decency," said Siward, "and we're proud of it. As for Leila, I'm going to arrange for her very simply, but very beautifully. Plank will take care of her. Sylvia, there's not a soul in town, and we can be as imprudent as we please."

"No, we can't. Agatha's at the Santa Regina. She came down with us."

"But we are not going to dine at the Santa Regina. We're going where Agatha wouldn't intrude her colorless nose—to a thoroughly unfashionable and selectly common resort overlooking the classic Harlem, and we're going to whiz thither in Plank's car and remain thither until you yawn for mercy, whence we will return thence"—

"Stephen, you silly! I'm perfectly mad to go with you!" Then with sudden self reproach and quick solicitude: "Am I making you walk too far? Wouldn't you like to go in now?"

"No, I'm not tired. I'm millions of years younger, and I'm as strong as the nine gods of your friend Porsena. Besides, haven't I waited for this?" And under his breath fiercely. "Haven't I waited!" he repeated, turning on her.

"Do—do you mean that as a reproach?" she asked, lowering her eyes.

"No. I knew you would not come on 'the first sunny day.'"

"Why did you think I would not come? Did you know me for the coward I am?"

"I did not think you would come," he repeated, halting to rest on his crutches. He stood, balanced, staring dreamily into the dim perspective, and again her fascinated eyes ventured to rest on the worn white face, listless, somber in its fixedness.

The tears were very near her eyes; the spasm in her throat checked speech. At length she stammered, "I did not come b-because I simply couldn't stand it."

His face cleared as he turned quietly. "Child, you must not confuse matters. You must not think of being sorry for me. The old order is passing—ticking away on every clock in the world. All that inverted order of things is being reversed. You don't know what I mean, do you? Ah, well, you will know when I grow into something of what you think you remember in me and when I grow out of what I really was."

"Truly I don't understand, Stephen. But then—I am out of training since you went—went out of things. Have I changed? Do I seem more dull? I—it has not been very gay with me. I don't see—looking back across all the noise, all the chaos of the winter—I do not see how I stood it alone."

"Alone?"

"N-not seeing you—sometimes."

He looked at her with smiling, skeptical eyes. "Didn't you enjoy the winter?"

"Do you enjoy being drugged with champagne?"

(Continued next week.)

An advertisement in The Freeman always brings results.

# Hotel Notes.

By W. FORREST COZART.

## THE COLORED WAITER AS VIEWED BY TWO COLORED HEADWAITERS.

Atlantic City, N. J., 8-7-'08.

I read the letter written to the Hotel World by one M. J. Homsley of Boston; also your reply to same.

As one closely in touch with the head and side waiter, allow me to say that we highly appreciate your good advice in the Hotel World from time to time, as your plea for justice and toleration for the colored waiters. We always receive what you say as advice or a warning coming from a friend.

In reference to Mr. Holmsley, I do not have the honor of knowing him, neither have I ever heard of him before, therefore I am sure that he is not one of those of my race and profession that has been identified with those of us who have been working to improve the colored waiter. If he had been familiar with the subject and those whom it concerns he would not have made the mistake of attacking a friend. Therefore, we will style Mr. Homsley's letter as one of those pyrotechnical displays in which force is soon spent and its illumination is lost in darkness.

It is the acts of these irresponsible individuals that handicap my race and increase the burden on the shoulders of those who are trying to lift as they climb.

It is a peculiar condition, as well as unjust, that the whole of my race is made to suffer for the deeds of the few. This is true in all lines. It was true during the Atlanta riot; it was true in Delaware the other day when every colored man, woman and child was beaten promiscuously wherever found and chased out of town because one colored man had struck a soldier.

Now in reference to a school to train waiters, you know that the Headwaiters' Association advocated this matter when I was president of the association. I also wrote Mr. Booker T. Washington on the matter in 1899. Dr. Washington stated that even a school the size of Tuskegee would not be equal to the occasion, as it would not be able to supply the demand. In this I agreed, and after further thought I conceived the idea to make every headwaiter a teacher and every dining room a schoolroom, and every waiter a student. At that time we had a good organization, and had the hotel proprietors co-operated with us, conditions would have been greatly changed.

Education uplifts the white and black man alike. The educated Negro is not the criminal class, nor is he an agitator, but he is the level-headed advisor. Education does not unfit the Negro to fill his sphere in this country. We are told, however, that a little learning is a dangerous tool in the hands of a fool.

In conclusion I will say that I appreciate the motive which caused you to write the editorial advocating a school to train colored waiters. As you have often said, if the hotel proprietor would evince more interest in the colored waiter he would prove a more valuable servant.

W. FORREST COZART.

## THE COLORED WAITERS.

The colored waiters found their jobs waiting for them, so to speak, and, like most things that come without cost, were not valued sufficiently. They went on the theory that they were expected in such places and that because of the expectation begot the spirit of indifference noted. They seemed to feel and act as if there were a phase of menialty attaching that was wanting in other callings. Then, too, the position was a legacy, and special, so viewed because in keeping with what they had been doing. These things have been thought on by the waiters at some time in their career, influencing their lives too much. The position as a whole has been of more real value than any other. It has been a sort of bank on which the race drew at will, its demands being generally honored. At times no questions have been asked as to fitness; the plow boy has been taken in on equal terms with the most accomplished, willingness to do being the only requirement. Their wages, added to board and tips, easily made up from $8 to $10 per week. The good waiter in a good hotel doesn't think of such "beggarly" wages; $10 a week is a mere bagatelle; he counts his tips by the dollars in a week, and even in a day. Yet the tendency is to throw all of this down at the behest of what they call society. The aim should be for respectability rather than society that calls for entertainments—entertaining and being entertained as such things go. Real society, the kind that is imitated, is based on wealth. The poorest of all races have their circles; they go and come, fine enjoyment in keeping with their money. That other society means self-denial for years; the sacrifice, the dying of the present generation in the interest of those to follow. Indeed, more than one generation must pass away, like the coral workers of the deep, depositng their increment of good on which others are to thrive.

We don't like that kind of doctrine very much—this self-effacement, surrendering in the interest of the unborn. But suppose we don't. Can the law be escaped? Not at all. The future generations of Negroes will reap as the present sows. There need be no expectations if nothing is planted, and that carefully planted, watered and watched. The waiting job is too good a thing to throw down. It does not compare with the jobs by men who move in the best society of the land. But the old Astors garnered pelts, the forebears of the very rich of today were the very poor of yesterday. Men of millions tramped the country with their stock strapped to their backs; they sold papers, they dug in the ditches and various other things that are not very much looked on today. Their poverty was their training, their school of experience. It taught them the value of money, The habit of saving grew until the time came with its harvest. They did not sow thistles with the expectation of reaping what they sowed and watered, and the increase was theirs.

It took years to reach the condition. Many failed, dropped out of the race. In the most part it was because they took no thought of the tomorrow. Many more did not care to have great wealth, being content with little—a surety against an evil day—passing the little down, feeling that they had served posterity well enough. They also had the larger, the greater outlook, and such as the colored people should imitate closely. Without the vision of seer or prophet, it may be set down that the vast opportunity to make and save will not continue forever. The race is riotous in its opportunity, treating it as pearl before swine.

The new generations of white men are going to be without much mercy, at least without that paternalism noted in the past, when the former condition entered into the problem. Today the Negro is being measured by what he is really worth—what he neglects to do in his interest will be held against him. No longer a matter of excusable ignorance, but an almost criminal ignorance, failing to take advantage of the commonest laws of self-preservation. The new generations of white men will think and act different to those of the past, simply because they will see things differently. The new young Negro boasts that he knows nothing of slavery; neither does the new young white man. He says, go for yourself, feeling no sense of obligation. He is met by young Negroes who "feel" and act very much as he does, who has money. The supposition is that the Negro also has money, consequently there is but precious little favor to extend.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**SATURDAY, SEPT. 5, 1908.**

The National Negro Business League had the time of its life in Baltimore.

The indictments at Springfield are proving to be mixed. Colored and white men it appears will come in for punishment.

Peace be to the ashes of one Jesse Coe. If he sought notoriety, and that of a certain kind, he obtained the prize for which he strived. God forbid that any more be similarly situated.

Governor Dineen of Illinois, according to information, is inviting all Negroes to return who left their homes through fear of mob violence. He asks that those of the outlying districts come to Springfield so as to be insured protection.

Mr. Taft, the Republican Presidential nominee is a fisherman, in which respect he is after the manner of the late Grover Cleveland who was a most noted angler. Mr. Taft had luck the other day hauling in three black bass, the greatest catch of the party.

Says the London Outlook: "We sometimes in this country sneer at American times and speeds; but it is beyond denial that in America are found, or rather made men, who can run faster, jump hibher, and throw weights further than any people in the world."

O, yes, we are naturally the it. After us the others follow with o slow drag.

One hundred and seven thousand Negroes in Philadelphia. Chicago has been held the heaven, some going so far as to insist that when a colored person dies in Indianapolis that they will be seen afterwards in that city. Philadelphia seems to be the favorite in these days. In 1900 it is said to have had only 62,713. It is a remarkable showing if the figures are correct.

How many colored men will exhibit something at the State Fair in "fee simple?" The agricultural field is a great big one and inviting to those that only have their muscles for assets. The 50,000 colored must eat, and then too in the language of Booker T. Washington; get what the white man wants and he will also be a purchaser. The full pursed purchaser on market looks for the biggest and best.

Many of the Southern papers are getting the old-time look—displaying at the heads of their editorial columns their preference for President and Vice-President. Only Taft and Sherman appear as yet. It is notable, however, that the publications are much slower than in former years in tics is not considered by many of the race papers of the South. They are acting out the advice so often given to cut politics out.

The change in the plan of Jesse Coe's funeral was one redeeming feature. Enough publicity had been given him under the circumstances. To have taken him to church would have meant a great crowd attracted out of curiosity and which would really have mocked the religious services. Whatever benefit he might have derived in a religious way will not be denied him at home, and beyond this common decency will be observed.

The old army boys are at Toledo, O., this week—the remnant of the memorable fight of '61 to '65. Most of them are no longer capable of those great marches of some pears ago. In view of the fact, the feebleness of the old soldiers, attempt has been made to omit marching from their programs, but it seems that it did not carry. Many of them feel that there's another good fight in them, yielding never, until the greater Captain than they ever knew demands that they show the white flag. Long live the old guard½

The recent speech by Hon. James E. Watson, and which was set out in full in the daily papers, was a most notable production. Great care in its preparation was evidenced throughout. It was of generous length, but of a necessity, and really important and helpful to those who wished to be informed on the Republican party's position on the important issues of the day. The speaker dealt with the past at length, contrasting the legislation on the more important questions and its effect when in operation, showing the advantages to have been with the legislation by his party. As a campaign document the speech will be very difficult to beat; it is clear, informing and convincing, having the ring of authority. It was a great effort.

Rev. W. S. Rollins, pastor of the Second M. E. Church of North Vernon, Ind., speaks very encouragingly of the colored man's prospects in that city. He says he has a first-class show on all lines of business with the white man. The church was visited by Mr. George L. Knox, of Indianapolis, August 30, who addressed a large and appreciative audience. Rev. Rollins thought very well of the effort, insisting that it was a fine talk on the race question. The open door is extended Mr. Knox, who is expected to avail himself of the courtesy whenever he cares to do so.

Hon. W. T. Vernon, Register of the Treasury, will be remembered for his work in shaping affairs among the colored people for Mr. Taft prior to his nomination. Mr. Vernon will be no less active in the coming campaign. Assignments will be made for after September 15 which will take in the States of a large colored vote and which are help by some to be doubtful. Mr. Vernon is a forceful, intelligent speaker, thoroughly conversant with the issues. He has been heard in Indianapolis, where he made an excellent impression. He is a Republican without dilution, and preaches the gospel of Republicanism as it is understood.

The National Association of Bakers was in the city this week, discussing the very useful art of bread making. Bread is among the commonest of foods. No meal is satisfactory without it, yet it is only within recent years that, that commodity, coming from the general makers, the bakers The bread that "mother" made seems to have been the desideration, a thing that did not seem possible a score of years ago. This has in mind the very limited time and the vast amount to be gotten out. Today with the improved machinery, the bread made by the bakers has nearly gotten up to the well made home-made bread. It will be only a question of time when the much honored home-made article will be rivalled by the the output of the bakers.

"How strange it is that few of our young people strike out in the new enterprises for themselves. It seems as i fthey all want to follow the crowd. This should not be. Rather they attempt large things and with pluck and attention to details determine to succeed. Many are the opportunities right here in the city awaiting the coming of the men, who, with confidence in themselves and with faith in God and in humanity, will grasp them and turn them into stepping-stones to an hororable and lucrative enterprise."—Charleston (S. C.) Messenger.

Ditto for Indianapolis. Too many are around looking wise instead of jumping into business of some kind. If they don't know how to do business it wouldn't hurt to break up a few attempts trying to learn. Experience must come, and if there is no "open door" then the only thing to do is to get busy making those of our own even if there should be failures. Get up and go again, and still again, proffitting by the experience gained.

A stranded colored brother, writing from England, informs us of his plight. To use his own words, he says: "I am a candy peddler and go about through the streets to sell my goods." He spoke of the prejudice met up with in his travels and which is notable right where he is in good old Enge-land. He says that for three days in the week there is no business, and really he doesn't seem to think very much of the business for the other three days. He will gladly do some corresponding for The Freeman in event it wants any done. He casually remarks that he is a citizen of Tennessee, Negro—a decidedly new classification, but unique, distinct. The Freeman does not stand in need of a correspondent in England, since the writer says, "There are not many Negroes in this district," "but as for news about the population of England," says he, "I can say something." It will be glad to us any information that may be useful of the colored people he happens to run across. The Freeman would have him tell them howdy and to solicit a brief experience of their ups and downs as Afro-Englishmen. It will agree at least to pay him in kind, by swapping "yarns," if nothing better.

Isaiah T. Montgomery, of Mississippi, is double distinguished. He was the slave of Jefferson Davis, of Confederate States fame, and he has founded a city. To build a church, to endow a hospital are among the great acts of men, but hardly so great as that of him who builds a city. This has in mind these days when men find established communities everywhere. Blackstone has it that man is a creature of society; he would rather dwell in the city "midst alarums" than be king in a desert. But Montgomery saw no reason why a city composed of Negroes should not flourish, and just the same as hundreds of communities that are made up of white people. He acted on the theory. His city did not spring up in a night. Also, he was no Aladdin, but worked out his salvation, guided by the thousands of examples about him—the thrifty American cities that had their humble beginnings. Finally he gave the race the city of Mound Bayou, where the colored people are seen at their best at keeping city. Mr. Montgomery was one of the members of the Constitutional Convention of Mississippi and did much to keep down legislation that struck at the Negroes' citizenship. He is a cotton planter and is said to compare favorably in wealth with those of means of his State regardless of color. He was among the interesting speakers at the National Negro Business League Convention, recently held at Baltimore.

White River due west is beginning to look up. It has fine possibilities, and may be the real estate men don't know it. Guess they do. The ground is low on the east side, the side that will be most popular, but it is being filled up with the refuse of the city. As if things were conspiring for those who "have," the steam shovels are busy scooping up sand from the river bed—of course for commercial purposes—but the stream is being deepened just the same, and will be the delight of those who own the land and who doubtless will "hold" it until everything is done to increase the value. This is in the flood district, but in these days of "rapid transit" via sewers, the water has got to keep on going. Formerly the water did not begin to rise for twenty-four hours after the downpour of the rain. Now it gets busy at once, and is well on its way to the Mississippi in that length of time. Besides the land is being filled up, giving further assurance against future washouts. The river will never be navigable for big boats, nor even medium-sized ones. The smaller steamers will be able to make it, but due to the steam shovel men who pull up three or four bushels of White River bottom at every scoop. A dozen or more of these sand companies line the river banks, all scooping up and selling sand. If the business is kept up for the net dozen years a trench of some depth several miles long will result. It will prove a boon to the water-loving people and a boon for the real estate men.

We said last week that we saw no virtue in the church as an organization. The statement applied to the church-house—the church as an organization. The spiritual church is the operation of its teachings and principles—beliefs. The efficacy is here, in its blessings, its admonitions, all of which are of a spiritual nature; not so owing to the church house. A church house is held to be a sanctuary when consecrated to religious purposes and because the mind conceives it to be in consonance with the consecration, and because devoted to religious purposes. But in more than one instance church-houses thus consecrated have been put to other uses and without any ill effects beyond the shock of conscience with the more religiously inclined. Then again private houses have been devoted to church purposes and are so today. William Penn preached under a tree. The favorite Penn picture is where he is seen with groups of Indians and white people at his feet, who are listening to the Word. In fact, all of the pioneer preachers of whatever faith—Marquette, Joliet, Roger Williams, the Pilgrim Fathers, who were essentially preachers—had no choice of houses. In the language of William Cullen Bryant, they sought nature'sarchitrave; their songs rang mid wooded aisles—direct from man to God, as it were, as if the need. But one feels to unlatch his shoes at the sanctuary, as is the custom in the far East. The religious aspect attaching to the house of worship indicates in some manner the hold that a religion has on a people or the respect for the divinity.

## JESSE COE.

It is to be hoped that the Jesse Coe business is a closed incident. From beginning to end it has been a mischief breeder. The shooting down of officers of the law is looked on with extra horror, and not without reason. It is the duty of the officers to keep the peace, to run down the criminal—in short, to protect society against those who would prey on it, enriching themselves at the expense of others, not stopping to count the cost. As the rule, they do no more than this. The general public has confidence in them, reckoning from the standpoint of duty. It is well that it has this confidence, that it can retire at night knowing that the hundred-eyed law is keeping vigil, while the city slumbers.

So when an officer is shot down extra horror attaches the deed, for we are to believe that the officers in this instance, and as they generally are, were doing their duty. We have no right to view the situation differently. If so, we indict them and those above them, those of the appointing power, as to the fitness of the men. As it is understood, two officers were shot by two Negroes, Jesse Coe being one of the Negroes. The other one was caught and met his fate at the hands of the law. Coe escaped. The rigid search and the many false scents and the rest of it are not important, not germane to this article. Finally he was caught or shot, as you please.

Coe found lodgement in the hills of his Kentucky home, where he was surrounded by relatives and friends. These, together with the mountain fastnesses, made it fairly impossible to reach him. The "sleuths" were determined to have him, and they did not stop to count the cost. A great crime had been committed; it stood unsatisfied. Information has it that his cousin, one of his household, was induced to lead him into ambush, into a net of officers hidden behind trees, shrubbery, and who at the appointed moment rushed on him, shooting him down, while he (Coe) was in the act of using his gun.

Not many have found fault with the officers because of their manner of capturing Coe. Of course, there are some who try to see a thing of "fair play" in such business, insisting that he should have been given an opportunity. But that's just what the officers did not want to give—an opportunity. They did not go out to fight a duel, nor was his case a matter of suspicion—he was no suspect. His crime was known far and near, even boasted of in some parts. The officers went to bring Coe in without the sacrifice of another man.

The personal conduct of his cousin is what most people detest. Most of us recoil at such a duty, and simply because most of us have the sense of gratitude; and this cousin, it is said, fed at his mother's table. And yet we should not be too denunciatory in the matter, since in theory and we believe in law we are not to shield known criminals. It makes a hard case—a condition which most relatives will not comply with. But by no means is it an unheard of affair where the nearest relatives have delivered unto the law the culprit, feeling the sin and disgrace needed expiation. But most of us are not built that way, consequently see in his cousin one of the basest Judases that ever lived.

As to the exhibition of the body, unless it were to satisfy the public that it was really Coe, we saw no reason for it. And had that been the object, that of identification, the public was not prepared to decide. The officers in charge in the matter thought it was an object lesson, a sort of holding up as a deterent, as they used to do in the old country when they fixed the victim's head on a spike and stuck it up in the most commanding place, for the warning of evildoers. It may be that they are right, but we are not used to such things, and really harm is done in the creation of ill race feelings. Since the happening there has been a notable increase of ill feeling, a thing the officers are morally obligated to hold in subjection. That they got their man was quite enough. That they expressed satisfaction in having their man was right and proper, since it is the "capital" of their business. And we suspect that had they known that such ill feeling would have followed, the thing would not have been permitted. They are human, capable of mistakes; they make them as others make them. We can only hope that they also profit by the experience.

## BALTIMORE'S HOSPITALITY.

It is said that Baltimore is not excelled in the hospitality and good cheer extended strangers within her gates. It was thought that this applied particularly and not generally. But it is proven by the distinguished consideration accorded the National Negro Business League that Baltimore is no mean city, and that she has the proper greeting for the worthy and honorably disposed, regardless of the nationality.

We feel safe in saying that Baltimore leads in the attention paid the group of Negro business men and the visitors attracted to the city by their presence. We make this comparison simply because that city is held to be Southern, and owing to which fact much was not expected. The comparison is not odious, but rather complimentary to those of that section of the country of whom the race has not entertained the best notions in these latter days. That Baltimore acted so beautifully in the matter ought to add to the stock of race hope, and without doubt it will. The race problem is here reflected, and the thoughtful, earnest Negro, when he hears the news, will warm up in his love for his country and conclude that, after all, there are many more not half so well situated.

The Council, through its Negro Councilman, Harry S. Cumming, made an appropriation of $400 for illuminating several blocks of street. It also provided for a court of honor, with massive columns, made more imposing by the many electric lights of various colors, and which shivered with brilliance, during the evenings of the convention.

The city also donated the use of the great Richmond Market Armory and tendered the steamer Latrobe for a delightful sail down Chesapeake Bay. The courtesies thus extended by the Council represented an expense of not less than $1,000. In addition to this, every business house on Druid Hill avenue, from Eutaw street to the strictly residential section, was lavishly decorated with flags and bunting, and many beautiful homes were similarly adorned in honor of the occasion. Yellow and black, the colors of the commonwealth of Maryland, and the national colors were festooned in artistic fashion and large portraits of Dr. Booker T. Washington were in evidence in the scheme of decoration on all sides.

We take this occasion to say that the $1,000, or whatever amount spent, was well spent. The white people who control in municipal affairs owe it to the colored people to do some gracious things now and then that they feel to be an appreciable part of the country.

Mr. Washington is to be congratulated in that he made it possible for the extending of the courtesies. Mr. Cummings is also to be congratulated on the esteem in which he is held by the citizens and by his colleagues, enabling him to render such signal and valuable service to the race.

## RALEIGH, N. C.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Gertrude Reese, who has been visiting her father, has returned to her home in Columbia, S. C.....Mrs. J. R. Cardwell, who has been visiting relatives in Columbia, S. C., has returned to the city. ....Misses Willie and Lizzie Oley are visiting in Norfolk, Va., and adjacent cities. ....Mrs. R. H. W. Leak is visiting her daughters in New York and Detroit, Mich. ....A sacred concert was given at the Congregational Church, Sunday night, for the benefit of the Begging Club Society. Among those who took a part were Misses Ellen Whitaker, Mary Evans Windslo and Eugene Lytle....Dr. A. I. Shade is again at his post of duty in the People's Drug Store, after a week of much earned rest. ....Mrs. Emerson, of Greensboro, is in the city, visiting Mrs. Reid and Mrs. Burgess.

## LOUISVILLE, KY.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Anna Adams Watson entertained in honor of Miss Emma B. Kaye, Thursday evening, August 27, at the home of the Misses Kaye, 413 Clay st. The table was beautifully decorated and well laden with the delicacies of the season. All present spent a delightful evening. Miss Kaye will leave for Clarksville, Tenn., on the 5th inst., and expresses herself as being very much indebted to her many friends, who have made her vacation so pleasant. The guests on the evening of the 27th were: Messrs. Shipley, Buchanan, Mays, Darden, Jamerson, Christman, Yancey, Edwards, Moody and Kemp, Mesdames Yancey, Christman and Jones, Misses Davis, Carr, Duncan, White, Todd, Moran, Adams, Hughes and Adams.

Miss Anna Cornelius left Tuesday for Chicago to visit friends....Miss Ida Coleman, who has been visiting friends at Indianapolis, has returned home....Mary Taylor has arrived from Fort Erie, Canada, and is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Owens....Mrs. Louis Hale, of this city, is visiting Mrs. R. C. Berry, at Chicago....Mrs. Miles Harris is visiting Mrs. C. J. Howard, at Chicago.

## DALLAS, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The flood losses to the colored people of Texas will go up into the thousands of dollars. Something must be done to save their crops and property in the low land and bottom districts....Prof. Lowinggood lectured here to a large and appreciative audience....Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Williams, of State street, are visiting in Colorado....Mr. and Mrs. Smith Overton have been visiting points in the North.... H. W. Scott will visit Atlantic City in the interest of the Odd Fellows of tihs city. ....The C. M. E. Sunday school convention at Van Alstyne was largely attended. Many interesting papers were read....Buffer Sutton, who was killed Friday night on Ross avenue, by one of a gang, with a knife, was a young man well thought of by a host of friends here. The family has the sympathy of the good citizens of the city....J. R. Brown is ill on East Flora street....The colored help of the Windsor Laundry have formed a Freeman Reading Club, and they pay for and receive this paper each week....A colored club, organized and chartered under the laws of the State of Texas, has been formed here and has its books open for members....All of the teachers were retained and a number are yet needed in several of the city schools....There will be a Labor Day drill and picnic at Douglas Park, Fort Worth, Monday, September 7. Round trip is 80 cents....See J. G. Griffin, at 190 Main street, for ads., cut and local news in these columns.

## SHERMAN TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Copies of The Freeman on sale at Mackay-Graham tonsorial parlor, 209 E. Mulberry street. Give them a call.... Martin Wade is attending the Grand Lodge, Improved B. P. O. E. of the World, in St. Paul, Minn., this week, as a representative from Defiance Lodge No. 138, here....The handsome Binkley Hotel has gone back unto the old reliable R. W. Thomas as headwaiter. Every one seems satisfied. His sidewaiters are Jas. Warde, Eliza Jefferson, Wm. Barr, Oscar Bruce, John Norris, Chas. H. Harris, Andrew Whitley and James Henry....Several hundred people will be in attendance at the Northwestern Baptist Association meeting here, October 2-5, at the handsome edifice of Harmony Baptist Church. Rev. A. W. Moss, of Dallas, is the moderator....Mrs. L. E. Hume has the handsomest cafe in north Texas....The funeral of Jacob Marshall was largely attended last Friday, at St. James M. E. Church, of which he was a consistent member. Rev. L. H. Richardson, of Waco, conducted the funeral, under the auspices of Polar Star No. 33, Masons, and Phaegon Lodge No. 20, K. of P. He leaves a widow and several relatives. Interment in his lot in West Hill Cemetery.

## NEGROES THANK CHAFLIN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

SEATTLE, Wash., September 2.—At a reception given to Eugene F. Chafin, Prohibition candidate for President of the United States, yesterday, a committee of Negroes, headed by Ed Clayton, editor of a Negro weekly, thanked him for saving the life of a Negro State employe in the Springfield (Ill.) riots. Mr. Chaflin said that he had been saved from drowning by a colored man when he was a boy, and that he owed the race a debt ever since.

## SPOKANE, WASH.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The seventeenth annual session of the Puget Sound Conference of the African Methodist Church gave Dr. S. S. Freeman to Bethel Church here....Miss Helen J. Stafford, one of the leading young ladies of the city, left for St. Paul on the 25th, to visit relatives and friends....Eugene Sykes returned from the ranch August 23.

## TERRE HAUTE, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

There is to be an emancipation exercise at Terre Haute on September 22. Great preparations are being made to make it the grandest affair ever witnessed in this city. The members of the committee are working hard to give the people who may visit from other cities a first-class entertainment. Efforts are being made to secure a speaker of national reputation.... The A. M. E. Conference will begin the 16th inst. and continue a week. There will be a big day, Sunday, the 20th. Dr. Evans, of the Spruce Street Church, will entertain the conference at his church, but Sunday services will be held in the Armory building....The strong colored men of Terre Haute are more and more coming to realize the importance of entering upon business undertakings. This is evidenced from the fact that they have started several enterprises. One of the late undertakings is the People's Mercantile Company, launched in February, 1908, by such men as G. W. Holland, president; S. D. Simpson, secretary; M. P. Bragg, treasurer; R. C. Simpson, Joe Churchill, H. O. Roberts, Chas. Stewart, John Brown and A. B. Spinks, directors. Capital stock, $5,000. Shares are selling at $10 each. This company aims to put up a first-class store in the near future....Mrs. C. M. Turner, assisted by Miss Thomas, has just opened a lovely millinery store, corner Thirteenth and Main streets. These ladies are genuine artists in their line, and they have one of the prettiest lines of up-to-date hats that has been exhibited in that neighborhood. We are sure they will succeed, as they possess the esssnetial qualifications—experience, tact, energy, intelligence, business acumen and honor in dealing with their customers....John Gibbs, the old war horse in the K. of P. fraternity, was made P. G. C. at the Evansville session of the Grand Lodge....M. F. Smith, the efficient member of the fire company at No. 1, has just returned from a week's stay in Chicago, in attendance at the Grand Lodge of Masons....Arthur Rochelle has been visiting friends in Chicago for several days....Curtis Anderson has just returned from his vacation, in Chicago, where he was inspecting the business house of Siegle & Cooper and some methods they employ in certain departments.

## SPRINGFIELD IS NOW QUIET

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been very busy....L. F. Osborne has opened his barber shop....Attorneys Royall and Williams have filed claims for about $25,000 for personal injuries and property losses sustained by people in the recent riot....Mrs. C. S. Gibbs and mother and sister have gone to Chattanooga, Tenn....Frank Hopkins sold out his possessions and has moved to Kansas City, Mo.

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KRAUT & DOHNAL,
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The Centers are making a big hit at the Lincoln Theater, Knoxville, Tenn.

Tim Owsley, the comedian, left Sunday evening for Chicago, for rehearsal at the Pekin.

Lucy and Dady White have closed with the Norris and Rowe circus, and are in St. Louis.

Brown and Hodges, cartoonists, are doing good work, and are booked twenty-three weeks solid.

John Scott, of Rockford, Ill., has located at Milwaukee, to play the slide trombone in the Cream City Band.

The Forepaugh stock season opens next Monday, at the Majestic Theater, with "The House of a Thousand Candles."

Richard Jackson, who was recently with Millican's Plantation Company, at London, is now at Philadelphia. Regards to all friends.

The Bruces, eccentric singers and dancers, introducing a buck dance on roller skates, are entertaining at the Family Theater this week.

Anatole Victor and John W. Carson, of P. G. Lowery's Musical Enterprise, with the Wallace-Hagenbeck circus, were in the city Sunday, the guests of friends.

Manager Bowley, of the Park, informs us that the Smart Set Company will be here November 12, 13 and 14, followed by Williams and Walker, November 16, 17 and 18.

The Dixie Comedy and Specialty Company, having ten people, under the management of Prince Oskayuma, the African Indian Traveler, are doing splendid work at Marianao, Cuba.

The Gardners, Samuel P. and Mamie, are still at the Lincoln Theater, at Knoxville, Tenn., and pleasing the audiences. Regards to Pop Adams and Lucy and Dady White, and all friends.

The regular season opened at English's Wednesday night with Al G. Field's Minstrels. Next week at this theater the attraction will be the Cohan production, "Fifty Miles from Boston."

The Great Cosmopolitan Carnival Company have with them the team of Hamilton and Trice, who are leading in the applause. Business is very good, and the S. R. O. sign is displayed every night.

Rugustus J. Smith, the young comedian and author, is organizing a theatrical company to play the popular winter resorts along the Eastern coast. Mr. Smith is only seventeen years old. He is becoming quite a successful manager and author.

Eugene Clark and Annie Hicks are with the Hower's Great London Shows, and aer making good in the annex. Miss Hicks sends regards to all friends. Mr. Clark wishes to hear from his brother, Joe Clark, and Robert Clark.

Benjamin E. Wallace, general manager of the Wallace-Hagenbeck Shows, was at his home at Peru for a few days this week. He says the shows are doing the best business in their history, notwithstanding the combination has been fighting him almost at every turn. The shows will close the season October 19 in the South.

It is said that it is a great inspiration to a player to have a fellow-artist in the audience. A few evenings ago Oscar Hammerstein entertained Mme. Tetrazzini and Mary Garden at a box party, to see Williams and Walker in "Bandanna Land." The critics say that the comedians, encouraged by the enthusiasm and appreciation of the two great prima donnas, played better than ever before.

Francis Swartz and company are appearing at the Family Theater in a sketch called "Love's Sacrifice," and to say that the act is making good is putting it mildly. Miss Swartz is an actress of great powers, especially in comedy. Her gowns are of the richest quality and her voice is rare in sweetness. Mr. Lawrence Gorden is an able assistant as the leading man. There is much merit in the act, and it should be a top liner in the best vaudeville circuits.

## NOTICE.

New York, Aug. 31, 1908.

Mr. Elwood Knox, Indianapolis, Ind.:

Dear Sir—We will thank you to give us a little reading notice acknowledging the many communications received from your advertisements, and which came in such great numbers that time does not permit us to acknowledge the receipt of all. We take this means of advising our correspondents that the Dixie Minstrels and Black Patti positions are all filled, and that we will retain their applications for later and favorable consideration, should any vacancies occur.

Thanking you again for your courteous consideration, I remain,

Yours very truly,
JOHN J. NOLAN,
for Voelkel & Nolan.

## HAWK'S MOVING PICTURES.

Three machines, three shows nightly. Show No. 1, as Hawk & Hypsher, will open at the Gayoso Amusement Co. Theater, Central avenue, Atlanta, Ga., Labor Day, September 7, presenting the "James Boys in Missouri," "Cast Up by the Sea," "Sherlock Holmes" and "The Bandit King at Midnight." Many new illustrated songs will be presented. Madame Juanita Nogenta, the Cuban palmist, with Hawk & Hypsher, will sing for the illustrated pictures and pose as Galatea. The poses "Plastiques" will be a new feature at the Gayoso Colored Theater. All professionals when in Atlanta, will be highly entertained at the Gayoso Theater, Hawk & Hypsher, managers. Regards to all in and out of the profession.

## PEKIN NOTES.

All the members of the Pekin Stock Company for the coming season assembled at 10 o'clock Monday morning and began active rehearsals for the opening, which takes place Monday, September 7. It looks as if the company will be very strong in comedy this season. By popular demand the moving pictures will be retained, opening and closing each performance. By special arrangement the best and latest pictures will be seen at this house. Every night will show a new picture. The new lobby is completed and has added greatly to the convenience of the patrons, and also to the beauty of this popular house. The crowds still continue to pack the house at every performanace.

## LOWERY'S MUSICAL ENTERPRISE.

P. G. Lowery's Musical Enterprise, touring with the Wallace-Hagenbeck circus, was visited by a Freeman representative Monday, at Seymour, Ind. He reports the show as one of the best in that line. Mr. Lowery has surrounded himself with first-class talent, and his concert banad is a winner. The personnel of the concert company and band are: Comedians, Chas. Beechum and John Edwards; soubrettes, Hattie Garland and Blanch Beechum; cornets, Tom May, Wm. Boldon; clarinet, Geo. Hill; altos, H. L. Rowles and Anotole Victor; trombones, Fred Garlanad and Wm. Jones; baritone, Jas. Hall; drummers, Johnnie Carson and Jack Johnson.

The Beechums were greatly pleased with a visit from their parents while at Seymour. P. G. Lowery sends regards to all friends, and says he is going to put out a winter show this season that is going to be a peach. He says, "Watch The Freeman."

## DIXON & DANIELS STERLING JUBILEE SINGERS.

This company closed the summer season at McCook, Neb., August 30. They report a very successful time from all points of view. Wm. Dixon and M. W. Daniels, managers and proprietors, say they will be "busy old souls" from now until October 3, when they start on the lecture course dates.

All persons who have been engaged for the season of 1908-9 are requested to report at headquarters, 3456 State street, Chicago, Ill., for rehearsal, Monday, September 21. Please let us hear from you at once.

Mrs. Annetta Highwarden, pianist, and Mrs. Julia E. Ware, soprano, have returned to their homes in Chicago.

W. Henri Bowman, first tenor, will probably stop in St. Louis a few days and J. A. Watts in Memphis, Tenn., each to see their mothers, ere they enter upon their winter work.

Mayme E. Clay, reader and contralto, will spend a few days in Chicago, the guest of Mrs. Edna G. Winston.

## TOM LOGAN DEAD.

The many friends and admirers of Tom Logan are surprised to learn of his unexpected death, which occurred at New York August 18. Mr. Logan had been ill several weeks this summer at Mercer Hospital, having undergone a very serious operation, but recovered from that and went to New York to begin rehearsals for the "Smart Set" Company, and became fatally ill, it having developed that he had a weak heart. During the run of Ernest Hogan's "Rufus Rastus" he was a member of the cast, having a prominent part, besides being Mr. Hogan's "right-hand" man. Last season he was with the Smart Set as stage manager and general overseer in many important details. Mr. Logan had been a member of the profession for a number of years, and no performer was more universally popular. His acquaintances all became his friends. His intellectual ability and general knowledge of everything made him a favorite with everybody. He was loyal to his friends. The funeral services were held in New York and his remains were shipped to his mother at Kansas City, Mo. Those who knew Mr. Logan will feel his death as a personal loss, and The Freeman extends to the mother sincerest sympathy in her bereavement.

## THE BLUE EAGLE THEATER.

The Blue Eagle Theater, at Plant City, Fla., is still making a good success, and has four new performers, headed by two star comedians, Fred Newsome, better known as Jimmie Dick, singing and dancing comedian, and I. A. Wright, the original Negro comedian and old-man impersonator. Andrew Williams and Mrs. Rosa Lee Ravenell are cleaning up with their new sketch of "Coocoo," singing "Tattoo," and send much love to all of their friends. Miss Annie Jones is making a great hit in her buck and wing dancing, and has the house screaming, supported by D. McDonald, song and dance artist. W. H. Butler is still alive and holding his same position, playing straight in all acts, and is doing well. Prof. Frank Jackson, better known as Punch, is now arranging a new rag on the piano, by the name of the "Plant City Ragmala," for next week's program. Miss Pearl Stuard and Miss Eulee Galvan are still getting good encores. J. Best Brown will leave for Valdosta, Ga., his little Southern home, for a stay of three weeks, visiting his people. Willie Knight, the great first-baseman and catcher of the Blue Eagle baseball team, of Plant City, has left for Key West, Fla., to play two games, and then he is ready for engagement with any team.

## THE BRUCES AT THE FAMILY.

At the Family Theater a strong bill is being presented this week. Charles and Bertina Bruce are the top liners on the bill, because they are delivering the "real goods" in a first-class singing and dancing act. Unlike other acts, they are putting forth something original in music and in comedy. Mrs. Bruce is an exception to the rule, so far as the audiences of this city are concerned, in voice culture, gestures and stage appearance. What interested her hearers the most was her singing. She has a voice that few persons of the profession have. Her tones are round and mellow, and she has the correct stature for a prima donna of the order of Patti.

As an excellent dancer it has not been our pleasure to see one who has anything over Charles Bruce in many a day. Joe Britton has visited this city several times and we have seen him and derived an opinion that he was one of the best in the business, but we feel that he has little odds on this man Bruce. The Bruces do not resort to the "chicken" idea in order to make good, but rather give you a clean-cut performance of the up-to-date sort. These two artists of the stage have been misrepresented by many through a great mistake in the name. There is a W. A. Bruce and wife, who are splendid performers, but are in no way connected with the Bruces here mentioned.

The main feature of this act was the buck and wing dance on roller skates by Mr. Bruce. It is seldom that you ever see such a feat done as he does this work. Wednesday night the audience seemed to go wild over this particular feat. It is seldom that one can see such a feature in vaudeville. However, all acts in our race can be improved upon, but to say that the Bruces have not a good act would be putting it wrong.

## SHOWS OF THE WEEK.

—By J. D. H.—

**The Grand.**

The vaudeville season opened Monday with a well-balanced bill. It is evident that the house, judging from the opening program, is to be well represented with foreign acts. "Les Salvaggis," a combination of four spry French dancing maidens from the Eldorado, Paris, scored heavily. Their dances are characteristic of the French stage, appealing to the sensual side, and go big with the men folks.

From a standpoint of grotesque novelty, the weird conceit, "In the Realm of the Alligator," by the Saytons, two men and a woman, was another foreign offering which delivered the goods. It was easily the top liner of the card. Their make-up as alligators was so perfect that it gave one the squirms to witness it. As contortionists the Saytons have set the pace for all comers.

"Arcadia," a beautiful girl with a big voice, rich in tone and range, and also a good violinist, was the feature end of the musical part of the bill.

The Murray sisters were tame, and need quite a deal of stage finish before they can make a straight singing act go.

The "Majestic Musical Four" were good musicians, all men. If they would eliminate the painful attempt of one of their number at trying to be funny with that time-worn chestnut of imitations of Sousa, the act would stand out distinctly on its merits as a first-class musical offering. Their best number was the rendition of "Miserere," from "Il Trovatore," on the pipes.

Gaston & Green, in "one," offer the Nell Brinkly creation, "Spooneyville," which was ordinary. In spots it resembles somewhat "A Classic in Slang" of last season.

The Delvin-Ellwood Company, in a sketch "full stage," entitled "The Girl from Yonkers," was amusing.

**The Empire.**

Chas. Burkhardt, in the "Travelers," opened at the Empire Monday for a week's stand. The two burlettas are well written, and afford abundant opportunity for the little comedian to get in his "funny slides." He scored quite as heavily in his olio offering, which was a cleverly devised bit of sentiment in the form of a sketch called "The Italian." His characterization of the "dago" is quite as good as his Hebrew impersonations, which show a marked versatility in character work. The chorus was large, well drilled and beautifully costumed. Charles Ledegar, the "Dutchman," and a brilliant olio of novelties, including the mechanical doll, completed one of the best burlesque shows seen at the Empire this season.

**The Park.**

The cartoon comedy, "Panhandle Pete," opened at the Park Monday for three days. Like all cartoon productions, it depends largely on the grotesqueness of the principal comedian's make-up. Walter Wilson is a comedian of ability, and gets all there is to grab out of the role. The coloring added to the piece by the chorus eases up some frosty situations. With proper trimming and shaping up, "Panhandle Pete" will develop into a really acceptable show.

**The English.**

Al G. Field's Minstrels came to the English Wednesday for two performances, afternoon and night. The show gave general satisfaction and played to capacity business.

**The Family.**

The Bruces, a colored team, man and woman, took the honors at the little house in Kentucky avenue. The woman can sing, and has a good wardrobe, a rarity among both black and white, as a rule, playing this circuit. Mr. Bruce is a good dancer and is wise in giving his audiences what they want and what he can do.

"Baby Thelma," billed as the youngest monologist, etc., on the American stage, will hardly do. Her age alone saves her. She couldn't get a "wrinkle" with her litttle Friday afternoon school stunt on the merit of her work.

## EASY PICKINGS.

### The Much-Ttouted White Socks Prove to Be a Bunch of "Mutts."

BY J. D. H.

The A. B. C.'s had easy pickings last Sunday at Northwestern Park, in taking both ends of a double header from the overtouted White Sox, an aggregation of local white talent. Much interest was aroused and the game was looked forward to by the bugs as one promising a superior article of ball. This was due to the fact that the Sox had taken two out of three from the Reserves recently. If the Sox are a sample of the material it takes to trim Reinhart's bunch, then the Lord have mercy on that squirming, vacilating set, if they ever get away from their cowardly stand and consent to cross clubs with the colored sluggers. In the first game Higbee, the "iron man," had the Sox completely at his mercy, shutting them out—11 to 0. The brewers fielded brilliantly behind him, pulling off several clever stunts. The white boys found Uncle "Rube" Washington's slants, curves and benders almost as effective in the second game. At times the mighty wing of the rube was called upon to "send up all he had," but he was equal to the occasion and brought home the bacon, notwithstanding that the fielding behind him was not quite as gilt-edged as the team put up behind the iron man in the first game. The score:

| A. B. C.'s. | R. | H. | O. | A. | E. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Granger, l. f. | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Herron, c. f. | 1 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 0 |
| Allen, 3b | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Hutchinson, s. s. | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Merida, 2b | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Board, 1b | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Gordon, c | 2 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 0 |
| Davis, r. f. | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Higbee, p. | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Totals | 11 | 14 | 27 | 7 | 0 |

| White Sox. | R. | H. | O. | A. | E. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bauman, 3b | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Mayer, l. f. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Miller, c. | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| Levings, s. s. | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 1 |
| Frank, 2b | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Barnes, r. f. | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Jordan, 1b | 0 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 0 |
| Long, c. f. | 0 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Giffin, p. | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| *Owens | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 0 | 3 | 24 | 5 | 4 |

A. B. C.'s ........0 0 3 0 0 5 3 0 *—11
White Sox ........0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0— 0

Bases on balls—Off Higbee, 4; off Giffin, 1. Struck out—By Higbee, 10; by Giffin, 2. Hit by pitcher—Granger. Two-base hits—Granger, Hutchinson, Davis, Mayer, Bauman. Home run—Merida. Double plays—Merida to Hutchinson to Board; Herron to Merida; Giffin to Levings. Stolen bases—Granger, Hutchinson (2), Merida. Umpires—Adams and Dauss. Time—1:45. Attendance—900.

SECOND GAME.

| A. B. C.'s. | R. | H. | O. | A. | E. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Granger, l. f. | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Herron, c. f. | 2 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Allen, 3b | 3 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Hutchinson, s. s. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 1 |
| Merida, 2b | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Board, 1b | 2 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 |
| Thompson, c. | 2 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 0 |
| Davis, r. f. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Washington, p. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Totals | 10 | 8 | 27 | 7 | 4 |

| White Sox. | R. | H. | O. | A. | E. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bauman, 3b | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Mayer, l. f. | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Dugan, c. | 0 | 1 | 9 | 0 | 0 |
| Levings, s. s. | 1 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| Frank, 2b | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Barnes, r. f. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Miller, r. f. | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Jordan, 1b | 1 | 3 | 11 | 0 | 0 |
| Long, c. f. | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Avery, p. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Totals | 6 | 7 | 24 | 9 | 2 |

A. B. C.'s ........0 3 1 0 2 0 4 0 *—10
White Sox ........0 2 1 0 1 0 0 2 0— 6

Bases on balls—Off Washington, 1; off Avery, 3. Struck out—By Washington, 9; by Avery, 7. Hit by pitcher—Thompson. Two-base hits—Washington (2), Jordon (2), Levings, Dugan. Three-base hits—Jordan, Allen. Stolen bases—Herron, Allen. Umpires—Adams and Dauss. Time—1:50. Attendance—900.

NOTES OF THE GAME.

Gordon caught a good game.

The White Sox could use a new set of uniforms.

Davis is back in his regular form and is playing a great right field.

"Rabbit" Granger was there with the pole in the first, getting a two-bagger and two singles.

Puggy's long fly in the seventh of the first game was a splendid swat. It looked good for two sacks.

That was a fast double in the fifth inning of the first game pulled off by Merida to Hutchinson to Board.

Big Boy "fenced" the pill in the eighth of the first game, sending Puggy around ahead of him. It was a terrific smash, the ball sailing over the fence by two feet.

Albert Herron is the official scorer of the A. B. C.'s. His work has been approved by the daily papers, and the records of the score apppear regularly.

The "Iron Man" Higbee wriggled out of some tight places in the first game. In the fourth, with the bases full and two men down, he tightened up and struck out Jordan, the heavy hitter of the Sox. Again in the eighth, two men were on bases, with one down, when he struck out the next two men up. In the ninth he was the "candy kid," fanning the first three men up.

SECOND GAME.

Herron is still the master fielder.

Todd took three on a Texas Leaguer, which was "going some."

Avery was wild as a steer, and came near putting two or three of the A. B. C.'s out of the running, had they not been great dodgers.

"Rube" Washington not only pitched a good game in the second spasm, but was there with the willow, stepping into a pair of doubles and a single.

Puggy put on a squeeze in the fifth that landed his man from third. This inside ball is all that is required to make the A. B. C.'s the strongest amateur team in the Middle West.

Thompson shows up well as a backstop. It is a pity he cannot be worked oftener. With such a standard quantity as the venerable Gordon to coach and teach him he is sure to develop into the real goods.

A funny stunt was pulled off in the second. With a man on first and second, a double steal was attempted. Catcher Thompson shot the ball down to second to catch the runner. The umpire was behind the pitcher and evidently did not see the play, as the ball struck him an awful wallop beside the "coco," taking an ugly bound, whereupon the two men on base cantered home. An awful howl went up from the brewers, but umpire Adams declared both runners safe.

Ran Butler deserves credit for giving the city the most classy set of ball players ever representing it outside of the League teams. This goes for Reinhart and the rest.

Pitcher Talbot, ex-A. B. C. slabman, is home, after many weeks' service on the Chicago Unions. Talbot was affected with a slight touch of rheumatism, but is in form again. He is undecided what he will do the rest of the season. He has some promising offers to finish the season with Iowa anad Minnesota teams. He has made good in fast company, taking advantage of the many opportunities thus afforded to improve his knowledge of the inside points of the game.

This gag of grumbling on the part of some of the colored players about criticisms of their plays, etc., is becoming a chestnut and is absolutely childish. When they pull off a "mutt" stunt that stinks, what is left for the writer to do but speak of it as it occurred? This is a national newspaper, sent forth to 26,000 readers weekly in the United States and Canada, and is published for the news and information it imparts to its clientele. We have but the best of feeling and good wishes for the success of the home boys, and would not willingly say anything to hurt the team, but we must respectfully reserve the right to speak of a player or plays as we see them. We ought not to be expected to call a cabbage a rose or a sausage angel food.

The Birmingham, Ala., Elks ball team, who were scheduled to play the A. B. C.'s Wednesday, September 2, canceled the engagement at the last moment, and The Merits, a local team, being substituted, the A. B. C.'s getting sweet revenge for their previous defeat, winning by the score of 8 to 1.

The Chicago Union come today for four games.

## CHICAGO UNIONS WIN TWO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—The Chicago Unions showed their superiority over the locals by taking a double header Sunday by the following scores. First game:

Chicago Unions ...3 0 0 0 0 5 2 0 0 0—10
Louis. Giants ......0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 3— 3

Second game:

Chicago Unions ...2 0 0 0 0 0 0 6 0 4—12
Lou. Giants ......0 0 0 2 0 1 1 0 0 0— 6

The five literary associations of Atlantic City combined and held a national election recently. There were four national tickets in the field, viz.: Republican, Democratic, Independent and the Prohibition. A whirlwind campaign was made and then the national election was held. When the votes had been counted to the surprise of everyone Bryan had swept everything before him and was elected. There were 300 votes cast.

## ROUTE.

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FRANK MAHARA'S MINSTRELS—Eau Claire, Wis., Sept. 7; Rice Lake, 8; Menomonie, 9, 10; Stanley, 11; Medford, 12.

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## THE FREEMAN POSTOFFICE

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Carter, Paul.
Clark, Prof. H. I.
Lee, Walter.
McDaniel, Mance.
Malone, William.
Pugsley, the Acrobat.
Smith, N. Clarke.
Williams, Geo. A.
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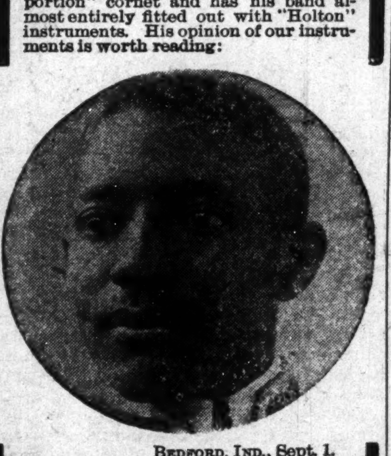

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## YOUNG COLORED BOY PROVES TO BE A HERO

### Stops a Runaway Horse and Saves Two Girls at the Risk of

Special to THE FREEMAN.

PETERSBURG, Ind., Aug. 25.—Babe Richey, a fourteen-year-old colored boy, of this city, stands today as a young hero in the eyes of the citizens of Petersburg. A horse driven by Albert Kellams, who was accompanied by his two young daughters, became frightened and ran away. Kellams was thrown from the buggy and the lines became wrapped around his body. For half a block he was dragged on his head and side. Just as the frightened horse started to cross a bridge young Richey sprang at the bridle and held the animal until he got assistance. The girls were uninjured, but Kellams' skull was crushed and he is fatally hurt.

## THE STATE BAPTIST CONVENTION OF KENTUCKY.

Special to THE FREEMAN:

The State Baptist Convention of Kentucky met at Hopkinsville, Ky, Aug. 15.

Rev. Edward Williams, of Hopkinsville, pastor of the Virginia-street Baptist Church, was elected moderator on the first ballot. Rev. Williams has been in the pastorate at Hopkinsville for twenty-three years. He is highly respected by the people of both races. He was born a slave and worked for his education in the early days of the Roger Williams University, in Nashville.

The other officers are as follows: Vice presidents, Revs. W. J. M. Price, Georgetown; W. H. Wiliams, Somerset; secretary, William H. Steward, Louisville; corresponding secretary, Rev. P. H. Kennedy, Henderson; treasurer, E. P. Marrs, Louisville; state evangelist, R. H. L. Mitchell.

The report of the trustee board of the State University was submitted by William H. Steward, editor of the American Baptist, the secretary of the board. The report stated that the attendance had increased, although the work was greatly hampered by a lack of room and facilities. A new science hall and a dormintory for girls will be ready for occupancy at the school. The total receipts for the purposes of the university from the colored Baptists of the state during the past year were $8,128.40, and the American Baptist Home Mission Society made its annual contribution of $1,100.

The committee on temperance recommeded that no one be admitted to fellowship who was guilty of having disgraced himself by the drink habit, that drinking by pastors and members be discouraged, and that the Negro Baptists "use all forces at their command to aid the great temperance cause, which is being pushed in the state.

## SIN IN HIGH PLACES.

We wish to call the parents' attention to a form or style of dance that the girls and boys seem to be going frantic about, and the surprising and disgusting thing about it is that they give the dance for the purpose of raising rally (church) money. The dance seems to be a variation from the odd and graceful two-step, it is known as the Slow-Drag, and no better name could have been invented or created for it. Well, the suggestions of this dance are altogether vulgar and, while there is much said about the Park, it is hardly probable that this Slow-Drag is more engaged in there than by some girls and boys at society gatherings. This mention is made for a good reason, and we trust the parents will just take a glance at this Slow-Drag while it is in full sway and if you like it, why you can say so through these columns free of cost. Cut out this Slow-Drag or give your girls free access to the parks or an yfree-and-easy. The result will be identical.

## SOLDIERS MAKE ASSAULT.

### Twenty-Two White Men Assault One White Woman.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

LARAMIE, Wyo., August 31.—While every effort has been made by the authorities at Camp Emmett Crawford, the military maneuver grounds, to keep the fact secret, it transpired today that on last Sunday members of an artillery battery assaulted a young woman, leaving her bruised and unconscious on the ground.

A non-commissioned officer of the 21st Regiment was escorting the young woman when the pair were attacked by thirty-two men of the artillery battery. The officer was beaten into insensibility and the unfortunate young woman was dragged to an isolated spot and mistreated. After lying half dead for hours the victim of the outrage revived, crawled to a house some distance away and told her story.

Twenty-six men, alleged to have been implicated in the outrage, are under arrest and are chained together at the camp prison. They are under constant guard to prevent lynching, as sentiment in the camp is strong against them.

Six of the alleged assailants escaped, but three of them were apprehended at Rawlins today. The other three are still at large.

## WHITE MAN IS REINDICTED.

### Second Trial for Murder of Negro Twenty Years Ago.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

OXFORD, N. C., Sept. 3.—A most remarkable trial for alleged murder began here today. Twenty-five years ago Dr. James D. Puryear shot and killed a colored man who worked on his plantation, after a dispute over the failure of the man to remove a lot of cane from the land. At the trial Dr. Puryear was shown to be mentally unbalanced, and the court ordered him to an asylum. Two years later he escaped and went West. Four years ago he returned to Oxford, and resided here unmolested until recently, when he had a dispute with an old acquaintance. This man then became active and secured the indictmnet of Dr. Puryear anew.

## NEGRO PROTECTS WHITE WOMAN

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Bristol, Va.—H. H. Gerst, a white traveling salesman from Chicago, was notified to leave the city last night. He attempted to assault Mrs. M. I. Preble, a young white woman, who was staying at the same hotel.

The incident occurred at midnight at the hotel and the Negro porter knocked Gerst down several times for his conduct.

## SOLUTION FOR THE NEGRO PROBLEM.

The only process reasonably possible by which the matter can be handled is by the distribution and diffusion of the Negroes throughout the various States, so that 10,000,000 of them would be lost among 100,000,000 of whites. Then they would cease to be a disturbing factor in our affairs.

The Negroes want social equality more than political privileges, and they can get both in the Northern States. They are going, and they should be assisted by legislation to go. No power can prevent their exercising a constitutional right to go, and they can underwork the whites, because they can live on a lower level. They are going, and the movement will show astonishing results when the next census shall be taken.—New Orleans Picayune.

## B. T. WASHINGTON'S NEW STORY.

Booker T. Washington, at a dinner in Cleveland during the National Educational Association's convention, was complimented by a clergyman on his eloquence.

Mr. Washington, in reply, told a story of a Southern minister who could not have been very eloquent.

"One Sunday morning," he said, "in the midst of the minister's sermon, a head poked itself through the door of the vestry and a low, tremulous voice said:

" 'Parson, the church is on fire.'

" 'Very well, Brother Spriggins,' the minister answered. 'I will retire. Perhaps you'd better wake up the congregation.' "

At Atlanta, Ga., the other day ten thousand persons leaving Boardwalk amusement places were thrown into a panic by an attempt made by Tombier Vangandalum, a giant Hindu, to murder Luisa A. Fort, an octoroon girl. The woman was terribly slashed with the razor by the insane man who had been following the girl for several days with offers of marriage. He is held without bail to await the result of the girl's injuries.

## ANOTHER GIRL WINS MATCH.

The young colored girl who figured as a queen of the spelling bee in Cleveland, at the recent National Teachers' Convention, is not the only feminine representative of the race with a blue ribbon record for such excellence.

In a contest with 1600 competitors, another young miss, Abbie Anderson by name, daughter of Presiding Elder Dr. W. B. Anderson of the Pittsburg District, was one of the sixteen lucky ones left standing after the smoke of the contest had faded away. Miss Anderson graduated recently at the head of her class. Should life last, there is a bright future ahead for this promising young miss.

## BRYAN REWARDS NEGRO PORTER.

KANSAS CITY, August 27.—The honesty of a Pullman car porter saved W. J. Bryan a loss of several hundred dollars today and won the Negro a "thank you" and a ten-dollar note from the Democratic nominee.

Mr. Bryan dressed huriedly, on his arrival here, to meet a reception committee, and forgot the pocketbook, which contained $300 given him at Salem yesterday, for the Democratic campaign fund, as well as hsi own cash. He missed the pocketbook when he reached his hotel, and the wildest excitement prevailed, as the reception committee, police and Pullman officials got busy seeking it. Meanwhile, the porter had found the pocketbook and turned it in at the Pullman office. He was permitted to return it in person, and Mr. Bryan peeled off a $10 bill as a reward.

An impromptu address by Mr. Bryan, who was here two hours today, en route to Topeka, was the feature of the convention of the Associated Advertising Clubs.

Mr. Bryan went to the Baltimore Hotel, directly across the street from the Willis Wood Theater, where the session of the convention was held, and he accepted the urgent invitation of the delegates to make a speech.

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That in time White River due west will be known for its lovely scenery, fine homes, picturesque boats and all the rest of it—a most classical stream.

That the "raging canawl" will forever remain the measly stream it is, with its ups and downs. It had its opportunity. It could have had its high art bridges under which the gondolas might have passed laden with their precious freight, giving us a bit of Venice. "But 'twas not thus to be," and we have this "yellow dog" of a stream whose bottom is thickly strewn with old boots and shoes and tin cans, the homes of catfish, crawfish, leeches, et cetera. In the winter the stream is festive enough, with its groups of skaters, proving what it might have been in the summer under favorable circumstances. In fact, it started out to be a respectable stream. It was in Moses Broyles' day—the saintly old Negro preacher of the Second Baptist Church—the Second Baptist Church, think of it today. But what has that to do with the canal? And as to the erstwhile respectability of the stream—it's a long story, too long to relate at this time. But this much: We of the older generation rode behind the horse that drew the great flatboat miles and miles up the stream to some grove for a day out. Rev. Broyles chartered the craft many a time and oft for his church and Sunday school.

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That the restaurants on Indiana avenue have a hard time trying to stick. The most pretentious place the colored people have ever had was the Indiana Cafe, a swell dairy lunch joint where you walked right up to the steam table, got what you pointed out, turned right around when right back to a chair with a commodious handle or arm that stood for a table, and designed doubtless to defeat the laundry man. Restaurant men know that the margin is very close in that business, permitting no great money for rent. Some half dozen help or less means a loss of nearly a dollar a day per man. The help are choice feeders, you know. The cafe was an ordinary success, but couldn't get up to that down-town rent. It suspended early, a most sensible thing to do. Others have passed out with more or less commotion. The colored man is learning to make his business keep him or quit it.

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That the avenue is pretty well laden with good, stout, robust fellows, in the very pink of condition, physically. They are seen often enough with their heads together talking it over—as to how they are going to get theirs. Just to think all of this strapping manhood wasted. Some wee mite of a fellow is toiling with might and main, often lacking in the very essential with which these are so heavily endowed. So much time wasted—it makes one nervous. Do something; don't matter very much what, just so you keep busy. Once busy, things sufficient will suggest themselves to keep one well employed.

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That the farmers are nursing their specimens in all lines with the object of taking blue ribbons at the State Fair next month. Can't remember seeing a colored farmer at the fair exhibiting in "fee simple"—in his own right. Fifty thousand people ought to send up a respectable list of contestants.

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That the cost of food soars way up, when the hard times have not gone altogether. It looks as if the election must be pulled off before poor people will know of a certainty what they will eat "tomorrow." And the hard part of it is, that the election may even mean four years of doubtful suppers. No wonder more appropriations are being asked for for insane asylums.

## THE RAGING CANAWL.

The "raging Canawl" bids fair to forever remain the measly stream that it is, with its "yellow bridge," its toe path bridge, its iron bridge, and wooden bridge. It certainly has its ups and downs. It's a thorough going stream all right enough—just as deep in one part as another; that is to say, it is uniformly deep. Of course it has its declivity, and from one end to the other; but it has no beaches, no unexpected holes. If it were filled with a mold of earth its shape would be a triangle—a great long one and regular. It has no islands. In fact, it is a man made affair—monotonously regular.

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The stream had its opportunity, might have had its high art bridges under which gondolas might have passed to and from laden with their precious freight, reminding one of that dear old Venice of the sea. But most unfortunately the pioneer settled about it. He had no time for beauty. Could not look away down the vista of time and see the day when the stream could have been the most loved of them all, especially the Southern position; but it has proved to be the veriest "yellow dog" of a stream; its bottom is thickly strewn with old boots and shoes, and tin cans, the homes of cat fish, craw fish, leeches, etc., In the winter when the ice and snow have covered up much that is unsightly, it becomes festive enough, with its groups of skaters, proving what it might be under better circumstances in the summer time.

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It may be thought that the imagination is being worked about the possibility of the canal. Let us see. It started out at one time to be your most respectable of streams. This was a time when private boat houses lined the banks. But long before this, way back in Moses Broyles' day, when Sid Hinton, one of the most prominent Negroes of the country and the leading Negro of the state, one honored by a seat in legislature, was Canal Commissioner, the canal was at its best. And one cannot think of Broyles without thinking of the Second Baptist church,, feeling like exclaiming with that Roman oration pompositly—"O, Sires, evil ays have fallen on us, surely we are not in favor with the gods." But that has nothing to do with this story.

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It was in Broyles day when a horse pulled a great flat boat up the canal for miles, maybe it were two horses or more, not at one time, but by way of relief. One hasn't always been big—can't remember with the nicety of the older and more discriminating ones—this was many years ago. But whoever rode in the old flat boat will not forget the main facts; he may not know about the exchange of horses, but he will know that a horse did the work. And how he strained and pulled against the current! And what a sweet time he had meandering back—floating with the current; not the horse. These were the outing days of Broyles' church and Sunday school. The boat filled up to its capacity:

"For every body will be there,
Don't forget to curl your hair.
Bring along your lady fair,
At the golden wedding."

The little take off will be pardoned, but looking backward, reviewing those stolid, solid, somber figures, moving the first priests of the new dispensation giving stiffness, stateliness to everything making such a different picture to the now, one sees something amusing notwithstanding the sincerity. Broyles was a somber man; he did not laugh. Indeed nobody expected him to laugh. He conducted himself as the people thought proper—a devout man—lending the tinge to all about him, and showing in all his work. There were sancity at the picnic, the festival. He had only to hold up his two hands, any where at any time, when there would be a hush like that when the benediction is pronounced. It was this saintly man who with his church and Sunday school, followed the horse up the canal to some fitting spot. A few years ago the last of the old boats were seen. The bridges, low enough, got lower if anything; they increased at any rate, making such trips inconvenient. And then the canal too, had begun to lose its reputation, all of which were not conducive to flat boat picnics. Since the day of the flat boat the skiff was seen, sometimes a flotilla of them, making the night musical, merry crowds of young women and men—"those were happy days," and the rest o fit. But lifeless hangs the sail of one bark, while piece by piece its hulk gives unto the eternity of the has beens. And these voices, where are they? "On we are floating" and; "Out upon the praire," don't you know? We few that have been left over from the big boat and the little ones too, ought to be feeling a trifle lonesome about this time. Some have gone—well, where? "Make me a child again just for tonight," we sometimes feel to say when in the reflective mood.

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But the measley old canal just floats on, one dull slow plod from beginning to end, the eveness tempered stream in all the world. Up at Broad Cut it gets slower and moves like the hour hand on a clock. It is absolutely without current that may be discovered. A piece of wood thrown in or a boat adrift has no future; the wind alone decides their fate. A fish straggles through once in a great while, but he runs a gauntlet of hooks. According to the stories of the fishermen he makes a successful run. The canal is there; its the most that may be said of it, having in mind the adorning of the other streams, which, as a whole adorn the city. The canal is good for ice, the small boy would say in his school composition, but no good for fish. It furnishes water for boilers and receives the discharge from numerous little sewers. It may get better in the future.

In the Pearson Magazine, September edition, will be found an article on the Brownsville affair, by Captain "Bill" McDonald. This is supposed to be the only true story of the affair. Captain Bill McDonald is a genuine Texan and noted as a bad man with a gun. Captain McDonald is one of Roosevelt's Rough Riders and it was on his evidence and the report of Major Blocksom that the President dismissed the three companies of colored soldiers and thus placed a stigma upon the whole race. The President not only did the colored soldiers an injustice, but he did the race an injustice, and the colored voters will demand "their pound of flesh."

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## DIVORCE.

Joseph N. Stites, vs. Elma Stites. } State of Indiana, Marion County, ss: in the Circuit Court of Marion County, In the State of Indiana, No. 17,100. Complaint Divorce.

BE IT KNOWN, That on the 28th day of August, 1908, the above named plaintiff by his attorney, filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Marion Court, in the State of Indiana, his complaint against the above named defendant, Elma Stites and the said plaintiff having also filed in said clerk s office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant, Elma Stites, is not a resident of the state of Indiana, and said cause is for divorce, and that the above named defendant is a necessary party thereto, and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 2d day of November, 1908.

NOW THEREFORE, by order of said court, said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against her, and that unless she appear and and answer or demur thereto at the callling of said cause on the 2d day of November, 1908, the same being the 1st judicial day of a term of said court, to be begun and held at the Court House in the city of Indianapolis, on the first Monday in November, 1908, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in her absence. LEONARD M. QUILL, Clerk.

I. L. WISEMAN, Attorney for Plaintiff.

Sept. 5-3t.

## Notice of Appointment.

Notice is hereby given, That the undersigned has duly qualified as Executrix of estate of George A. Woods, late of Marion county, Indiana, deceased. Said estate is supposed to be solvent.

No. 8648. HULDAH A. WOODS.


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REPUBLICAN NOMINEE
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"WHO IS MIKE?"
Mike L. Jefferson,
Republican Nominee for Township Assessor
Election November 3, 1908.

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Hon. Merle N. A. Walker,
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Election November 3, 1908.

# SPORTING GOSSIP of the WEEK.

## "FOOTSLUG" ON LEAGUE QUESTION.

**You should read in next week's issue what "Footslug" has to say on the National Colored Baseball League question. It wil be of interest to you for all ball players will be given an opportunity to say what they want to in these columns concerning it.**

## SOME SPORTING COMMENT.

*By Charles D. Marshall.*

It does not seem likely that a fighter of Stanley Ketchell's calibre can be afraid of anyone—not even Sam Langford, who has shown himself to be one of the most formidable men that ever drew a glove. The chances are that Ketchell's manager is diplomatically keeping his charge away from Langford till such time as the champion has whipped all the other available men and gathered in all the cash in sight. While a bout between Ketchell and Langford would be decidedly interesting, still no one can blame the champion if he cares to wait a while before putting on the mitts with the dangerous Bostonian.

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You might say that Sam Langford surely is looming up on the horizon as a possible champion in the heavyweight division. By the time Tommy Burns returns to America it is likely that Langford will be a stronger candidate for his attention than Jack Johnson, who trailed Burns to London and Paris, demanding a fight for the championship.

In the last year Sam Langford has gone to the front in leaps and bounds. From the lightweight class he grew into the welter, thence to the middleweight, and finally the heavy. He declares today that he can make 150 pounds, and he has challenged both Papke and Ketchell to a match at that weight. They have both, however, drawn the color line.

Langford is a marvel as a fighting machine. He has the gorilla build and tremendous power of Fitzsimmons. His punch is said to be equal to that of "Lanky Bob." Sam is all shoulders and arms, although his legs are firm and hard. And combined with his unusual strength he has the skill of a "Kid" McCoy—and that means the greatest in the prize ring. He is a bigger edition of Joe Walcott, the little Barbadoes Negro, who in his prime was known as "Giant Killer." Langford has height and reach—something Walcott lacked.

Langford is a legitimate candidate for a match with Jack Johnson, Burns's nemesis. He has fought Johnson to a standstill in the days when he had to give Johnson weight. And in his battles he has divided the honors with Johnson.

There are many experts in New York today who believe Johnson would be no match for Langford now. These same experts are looking forward to the match between Langford and Jeannette at the National A. C. next week. Jeannette is really the only man in America today who is capable of giving the Boston man a close argument. He has fought him four times, lost once, won once and got two draws. But Langford has developed since then.

In his battles around New York Langford has made his opponents look like novices. He disposed of Barry in two rounds and he simply toyed with Tony Ross.

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There is no doubt about the match between Jack Johnson and Mike Schreck coming off at the National Sporting Club no Monday, October 19. Schreck's manager, Frank Kelly, has received word from the club to start for England as soon as possible, and Kelly will follow instructions by taking passage on the steamer Baltic the first week in September. In the party will be Mike Schreck, Billy Griffith and Manager Kelly. They expect to arrive in London about September 10, and Schreck will at once resume training so as to be in perfect condition for the match.

Every afternoon out at Reading, Ohio, Schreck entertains several hundred friends with from four to ten rounds of boxing, taking on Billy Griffith, Harry Wuest and any others who care to try their hand. Kelly expects to send the Dutchman in the ring at 190 pounds. He can make that weight easily, as he has cut out his beer-drinking habit, which caused him to take on so much flesh. Mike is taking the best of care of himself and is confident that he can whip Johnson, and has hopes of getting on a match with Tommy Burns. Schreck boxed Burns twice. Once he beat him easily, and the second bout was called a draw. In this contest, which was a six-round go at Milwaukee, Schreck and Tommy Burns agreed to call it even up at the finish if both men were on their feet when the final gong sounded. Schreck says he had to do this to get Tommy in the ring, but as far as the actual battle is concerned he knocked Burns down a dozen times and had him all but out at the finish. Schreck asys he met Jack Johnson in a private bout at the Shamrock Athletic Club in Chicago some time ago, and has repeatedly told his friends that Johnson pulled off the gloves after going about four rounds, claiming that Schreck was trying to put him out when they had agreed to box friendly.

But who wishes to believe all that rot. Isn't it peculiarly funny how well some "pugs" can tell things that never happened. It seems that the reason Mike tells this story to his friends is that he dreamed such a thing one night and now he believes it is true, for he has told it so often to his friends that he really thinks it is so himself. Can anyone imagine just how much luck this Dutchman "can rusher" might have going up against a strong, well-developed, husky machine like Johnson? You should know that a powerful man like Johnson would defeat Schreck easily. Then when you have that question settled just remember that Schreck defeated Burns once and fought him to a draw in a second battle. Now can you not figure out how easy both fighters would be for Johnson? Simply the belt would be turned over to Johnson as the champion of the world and it would take Langford only to wrest it from Johnson's hands.

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A very interesting, yet sad piece of news comes from San Francisco to the effect that poor old Joe Gans, who lost the title of light-weight champion to Battling Nelson some months ago and is to meet him again on September 9, is a victim of dread consumption. Besides being afflicted with tuberculosis, he is said to be going blind. This is certainly pitiful if true, but not many people will believe it, as they are a bit afraid it is only a part of a betting scheme to get good odds on old black Joe when he fights Nelson next month. It is the opinion of the writer that there is some truth in the story. Gans has been training so many years that the efforts to make weight have undermined his constitution to such an extent that he is only a shadow of his former self.

He had to go to the mountains after he met the Dane the last time, and as soon as he got there there came the story from his quarters that he appeared to be hopelessly broken down. He has lost weight, and those who have had the pleasure of his acquaintance say that he is about all in as a fighter and will have to spend the remainder of his life building up his body to get back his normal condition of health. We shall see what the coming contest brings in the matter of verification of these stories.

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While the Gans sensation was still fresh in the minds of the sports last week it was announced that his old rival, Joe Walcott, had decided to sell out all his property in Boston and go back to the West Indies, where he was born. He is a native of Barbadoes Islands and was familiarly known as the "Barbadoes Demon." Another bit of gossip regarding colored fighters was the announcement of Baron Long, of the Jeffries Athletic Club, that Sam Langford, the black middleweight, would be matched to meet the winner of the Papke-Ketchell fight, which takes place in Los Angeles September 7.

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There is a great deal of credit due Joe Walcott for his ring career and it is with feeling we say to Joe "farewell." Walcott was one of the gamest fighters that ever stepped in any prize ring. There is not a man in the history of fighters that ever held his own better than the man from Barbadoes Islands.

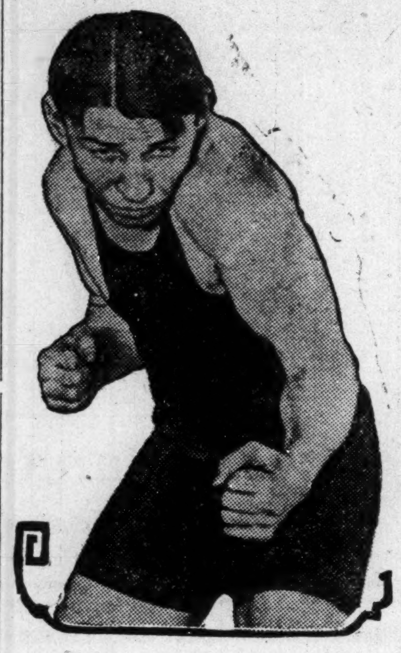
## ATHELETIC GIRLS OF TODAY.

In spite of all the talk about the decline and fall of the athletic girl, and the reversion to the traditional feminine type of frills and langour, womankind in general still retains a wholesome interest in outdoor sports. Sunburn, tan and ashyness are not of themselves the fads they were for a time, and the fashionable young woman no longer considers it chic to hang around the house in hob-nailed boots or go to the luncheon table with her sleeves rolled up. The sudden popularity of frills and furbelows and daintiness undoubtedly came as a protest against such extremes, but now that sports have been raised from ridiculous fads to rational and health-inducing pleasures we find sporting costumes and sporting manners divested of their spectacular bizarre features and harmonized with the general canons of good taste.

The girl who plays tennis, squash and golf, handles rod and reel, goes out with the guns, loves yachting or sails a small boat, rides and drives, does not consider it necessary to have a striking and individual costume nowadays for each separate sport. Her riding habit and motor costume are in the nature of things of individual character, but it is quite possible to have smart outing clothes which will fill the requirements of almost any other out-door sport without being extravagant or conspicuous.

## LEACH CROSS DRAWS NO LINE.

Leach Cross, a young lightweight who is rapidly forging to the front, sees no reason to draw the color line so long as



LEACH CROSS
Who sees no reason to draw the color line

the "pug" has class to him. Cross intends to spend the winter in San Francisco, where he expects to take on some of the top notchers.

## O'BRIEN TO FIGHT LANGFORD.

### Jack Will Fight Him if He Can Do Weight.

NEW YORK, Aug. 28.—Jack O'Brien of Philadelphia will blossom forth soon with Harry Pollock leading him along the Peacock Alley of pugilism. Jawn has been flirting with managers for the past few months, but his stall was just to feel the public out after his great confession of crookedness. He sees now that he has been forgiven. The sporting public wants to see him again and he grabbed the greatest publicity man since the days of Barnum in copping Pollock.

"I always thought that O'Brien was a great fighter," said Harry, "but after Jim Coffroth came East I was surer than ever that he was a big card. Coffroth told me that if there was one man in the world who had a chance with Ketchell it was O'Brien. Jim said that with his cleverness and speed he had a chance of tiring out the Montana terror and I believe it myself.

"I have three or four offers from different local clubs, but I want to get Jack on with either Ketchell, Papke or Langford before I let him go. They say that no one will meet this fellow Langford. Why, if he can do any sort of weight at all I'll sign up to meet him in a minute. I think there'll be a change in the middleweight title if we get going, and you'll see him in the ring within the next month."

## BOXERS GO IN VAUDEVILLE.

One of the new plays of the coming theatrical season will be a vaudeville skit of a fake prize fight to be put on shortly. The principals in the contest will be the Ghetto champion, Joe Bernstein, and Kid Griflo. They have for years given the fastest three-round exhibitions ever seen on the stage. Time and again the police have threatened to interfere with their exhibitions because they were so real that every one was convinced that the men were in an actual fight. Around their performance has been built a story of the double cross as practiced by some of the experts of that kind of work.

The sketch, which is to be in three rapid-fire scenes, will show how the fake bout is framed, how the money is divided and how the fight is faked.

## SOME NEW FIELDING PLAYS.

*By John L. Footslug.*

Not only in batting but in fielding new plays have been invented. Great players have studied the possibilties of their positions and have devised improvements upon the conventional style of play. Take, for example, a play introduced by the brainy Fred Tenney at first base. The old-time first baseman was content to "play for the batter" when a runner was on first base and a ground ball was hit toward first. That is, the first baseman would simply take the batted ball and tag the base, retiring the batter, but allowing the runner on first to go down to second unmolested. Tenney worked out a new play for this situation. Instead of "playing for the batter" he came in on the ball, whipped it to second, thus cutting off the man on base, and then he rushed to first in time to receive the return throw from the second baseman, thus putting out the batter. Other first basemen imitated the play, and it is now a regular feature of the game.

Much debate has raged among followers of the game over the question whether the great players of today are really superior to the stars of two or three decades ago. Individually, the old stars were probably as great as the leading players of the present. It is doubtful whether any member of the league teams of this year surpass in skill such finished baseball artists of the past as Dickle Johnston, Charley Ferguson, Williamson, Fogarty, Radbourne and the incomparable King Kelley. As individual performers these players and many others that might be named stand easily abreast of the best diamond talent of today. But the game itself has moved forward since their day. To be sure, the fielding averages of the leading players in recent years are notably higher than those of the best men in the eighties and nineties. But the vast improvement in fielding average can not be regarded as conclusive proof of a real advance in playing ability.

The explanation of the swollen averages is twofold. In the first place, the use of mitts and gloves has greatly relieved the wear and tear on the fielders, enabling them to handle with ease balls that would make trouble for a bare-handed player. The advantage of protective apparatus is especially evident in the case of the catchers. It has raised the fielding averages of the league catchers 20 per cent in the last twenty years. In the second place, the growing leniency of the official scores in the matter of charging errors to players has helped to raise the fielding percentages. Nowadays when a player misses a hard chance on a batted ball the play is usually scored a hit for the batter, rather than an error for the fielder. The latter is always give nthe benefit of the doubt. Formerly the scores were much more severe in this respect. Thus liberal scoring and protective apparatus have combined to elevate fielding averages.

## WINTER RACING IN JAMAICA.

That Eastern horsemen may find opportunities for high-class racing in Jamaica this winter, is the promise held out by R. L. Delisser of Brooklyn, N. Y., when he landed here on his return from that island. The management of the Knutsford Park race track, Delisser said, already have spent $150,000 in enlarging and improving the plant, and extra stables are to be built for the accommodation of an invasion of horses and horsemen from the United States. The track itself is a mile circuit, seventy feet wide and well constructed, and as racing in Jamaica is governed by the English Jockey Club, owners would incur no danger of outlawry by running their horses there.

"The wiping out of the New Orleans track means that the East will be left this winter without any racing," said Delisser, "and the only tracks in the country in the winter months will be in California. The Knutsford Park people believe they will be much better able to handle the Eastern racing stables than California. It costs $1,000 a car to ship horses from New York to California, twelve horses in a car, and only $30 each—$360 for twelve—to send horses from here to Jamaica."

## BALL PLAYERS CAN'T BE INDIFFERENT.

### They Must Have Heart Interest In Every Game to Win.

Many persons unfamiliar with professional baseball have a notion that it is less interesting to watch than amateur and college play. Professionals are supposed to play the game in a lifeless, mechanical fashion, doing their work like hired men, whereas amateurs are inspired by a genuine enthusiasm for the sport itself. A contest between college teams i,stherefore, commonly thought to be more lively, strenuous and exciting than a professional game. This idea is in large part mistaken. Most professionals play the game for the love of it—they are amateurs at heart. An indifferent player cannot last long in the big leagues. The zest of the game grips the professionals as strongly as it does the amateurs, but the former do not break so easily under the strain. In a league game between two teams that are fighting for position you will see as much rivalry and excitement as in a big college game, and vastly steadier and better playing. The prevalent notion of the inferiority of professional to amateur and college baseball in point of interest to spectators is largely fallacious.

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## WILBERFORCE TO MAKE VISIT.

It is not yet known on what date the Wilberforce University football squad will visit here, but it has been ascertained that they will play a date hree with the Sumner League squad some time early in the season. The Wilberforce squad is considered a strong aggregation of players and it is thought that their coming will create much interest in pig skin circles.

## GOOD TIME FOR BALL PLAYERS.

The best time is now for the fellow who wants his picture in baseball costume run in. You want to play ball this winter or you want a better job for next season. Let the managers see who you are. Write us for particulars.

## SEND IN YOUR FOOTBALL NEWS.

These columns are now ready for football news. The editor of these columns wishes every manager, coach and captain to write and tell us what your squad is doing. Send us your challenge and your cuts.

## WILSON TO ACT AS COACH.

Ward Wilson, the well-known local athlete, has been re-engaged as coach for the Sumner League football club. Mr. Wilson was formerly a star player on the Hoosier Tigers and is now a leading member of the Sumner League Athletic Club. He will perhaps be engaged as official referee on several of the big games to happen this season.

## HOLMES BACK FROM ENGLAND.

The Chicago Defender says:

"Mr. Francis J. Holmes, who participated in the Olympic games in London during the past month, returned to the city after competing in the high jump class. He stood third in the meet."

While that may be true, we fail to see in the list of the American team any such name or any account of his taking part. We thought Taylor to be the only Negro participant in the Olympic games.

## GREEN-THOMAS FIGHT A DRAW.

### Thomas Shows Much Gameness Clean to the End.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 3.—On Thursday night, August 19, Joe Green, champion colored middleweight of the South, and John Thomas, champion light heavyweight of New Orleans, fought a 10-round draw before the St. Bernard Athletic Club. Thomas clearly demonstrated the fact that, if given the chance, he will be among the top notchers before many moons. When the men entered the ring it was easily seen that Thomas was the most powerful of the two, although Green had won from Thomas some two or three years ago in a six-round go. For the first three rounds Green did some remarkable clever work and in the fourth started off, but soon Thomas began to show up well by doing some clever side stepping and shooting in some strong punches that told on Green greatly. In the seventh round both men came up strong, Thomas showing greater speed by a narrow margin to rounds it was seen that all that kept Green from a knockout was his clever generalship over Thomas, but in all the fight was greatly appreciated and the decision of the referee was a popular one.

## ELBERT ELECTED CAPTAIN.

### Herculeans Hold a Successful Meeting.

The Indianapolis Herculean football team held an enthusiastic meeting last Sunday night at 405 Indiana avenue. The object of the meeting was the election of a captain for the coming season. Stewart Elbert, one of the best little quarterbacks the Middle West has ever produced, was elected captain. At this meeting the team was thoroughly organized and many old-time star players were present. This meeting was the most encouraging of all previous meetings. Such well-known players as Wayman White, Phil Owens and Sam Elbert were present.

The Herculeans are considered to be one of the strongest of independent maneuverers of the pigskin in the country and now stand ready to defend its title as champions of the Middle West. The Herculeans is composed of some of the best young men in Indianapolis who have completed a high school course and some who are yet attending the local academic institution. Dr. A. H. Wilson, one of the city's best known local physicians, is coaching and E. S. Gaillard is acting as manager. All the "Hercks" ask of any 150-pound team, be it college, school or independent, is an opportunity to show what they can do.

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## PATCH FAMILY TO RACE.

There were many of the Patch family in the many big racing events of the Minnesota State Fair at St. Paul, August 31 to September 5, in spite of the absence of the world's greatest peer, Dan. In fact, numerically speaking, there were more of the Dan Patch stock in evidence on the world's record track of that state this year than ever before. Sired by this world's equine wonder there came three speedy horses bearing his name and seeking something akin to his fame on the Minnesota State Fair track of 1908.

Dana Patch, favorite of this trio, was one of the three largest money getters among the pacers of last year, her first on the track. She won the $5,000 stake on the Minnesota State Fair track in the 2:13 class, and also got first money with the same purse up in the 2:14 class at the Interstate Fair at Sioux City. In the several other races in which she was entered, she got second money. She is a bay with a white star on her face, has her father's disposition, and when she is out working can hardly be told from her father, except for the slight difference in color. She is regarded as a two-minute flat pacer this year, all of which are reasons for the admiration Mr. Savage has for her. Her record is now 2:05 and a half.

Robert Patch, dammed by Cosondo, who has a record of 2:05-3-4, made on the Cleveland track last season, is a dark bay four-year-old "green." He is one of the fastest-bred colts in the country, having speed inheritance of a fraction over two minutes. Robert was also entered on the St. Paul track.

Owing to the flooded condition of the Minnesota River lowlands, the Savage bunch has been training on the Minnesota State Fair track this summer instead of on the track of the stock farm.

Among the various Patches which Harry Hersey and his assistants have been working out are Young Dan, a five-year-old, with a record of 2:24 1 4, dammed by Cedar Bell, by Woodbine. Young Dan has gone a mile in 2:23, a half in 1:08, and a quarter in .32. A two-year-old filly dammed by Guide, broken in March and marked up with a half in 1:15 and a quarter in .34. Fanny Patch, a four-year-old, dammed by Fannie B., by Handallah, who has been a mile in 2:30. International Patch, a green four-year-old, who has already shown much of the speed qualities of his father. Completing the group and indispensable to its happiness is the mascot, a long haired terrier called Merton Patch.

## GANS AND ATTELL GAMBLE.

### Can Not Break Away from Old Habit of Training Camp.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 3.—Joe Gans and Abe Attell can not break away from their former habits.

Not only do the pair par together and go through their daily routine of training, but they also shoot craps in their leisure time and have great sport in winning and losing their money.

Joe Gans is credited with having lost his entire fortune at the game. He was always fond of "rolling the bones," and when he defeated Nelson at Goldfield, nearly two years ago, he immediately betook himself to a saloon nearby where he could risk his money on the ivories. He is said to have lost a good portion of the purse before he quit the city.

Attell has been credited with fondness for the races heretofore. eH has been a well-known frequenter of the various race tracks around San Francisco, and never seemed to shun them in other places. It is said that a good part of his earnings has gone into the pockets of the bookmakers.

## LANGFORD TO SECOND GANS.

NEW YORK, Sept. 4.—Sam Langford of Boston has received a telegram from Joe Gans. The former lightweight champion urges Langford to go to the coast. "Come and second me against Nelson. You can get a fight with Kaufman and go with Johnson or Burns later if you win," wired Gans.

Langford will leave for San Francisco the day after his battle with Jeanette. He is sure of beating the Hoboken man and with Jeanette's scalp, will be a good card for the coast fight promoters.

"When I get to the coast I am going to force Ketchell into the ring," said Langford.

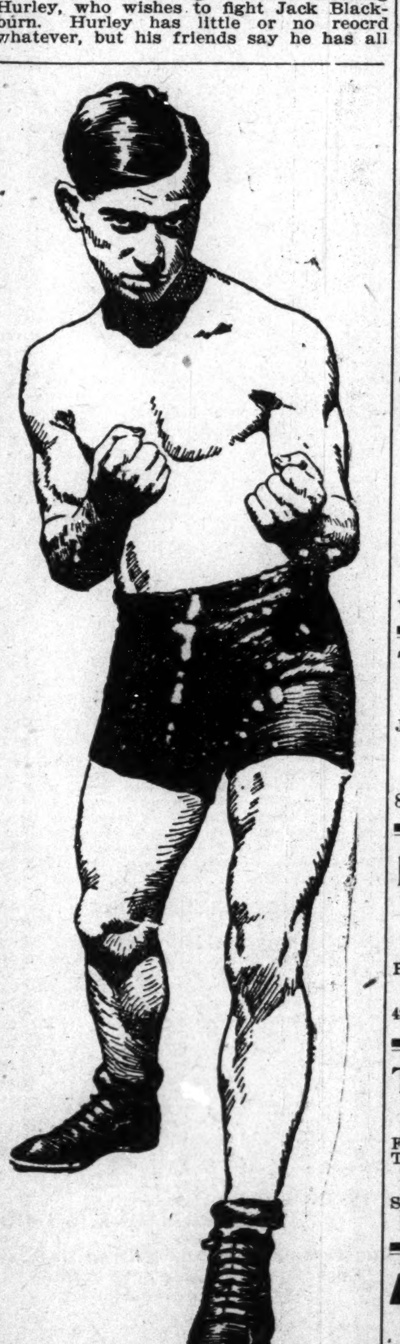
## LANGFORD AND FLYNN MAY FIGHT.

There is a strong probability that Jim Flynn and Sam Langford may be matched before the Jeffries A. C. Flynn's game showing against Kaufmann has only added to the fighting fireman's drawing power in New York.

Fight fans say Flynn should prove a good card against Sam, but it is doubtful if promoters think so.

## BATTLING HURLEY AFTER BLACKBURN.

A new lightweight that promises to make a mark in ring circles is Battling Hurley, who wishes to fight Jack Blackburn. Hurley has little or no reocrd whatever, but his friends say he has all



BATTLING HURLEY.
Hurley wants a match with Blackburn.

the qualifications of a champion. So far as is known Blackburn has not heard of Hurley's ambition and if he has, it is believed that he will give it little consideration. It may be that the idea of Hurley wishing to meet Blackburn might be all a jest.

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## CITY AND SOCIETY.

Miss Katie Pritchett is ill at the hospital.

Mrs. Mary A. Beard is ill at Dr. Ward's Sanitarium.

Mrs. Sadie Carter of St. Louis, Mo., is the guest of friends.

Bishop Abram Grant was in the city this week on business.

Mrs. John Payne continues ill at her home in North Missouri street.

Miss Susie Sharpe will leave next week to enter Tuskegee Institute.

Mrs. Ella Clay has returned from a three months' visit at Atlantic City.

Isma Erwin, formerly of Nashville, Tenn., is spending some time in the city.

Mrs. Mamie Huffman has returned to the city to take up her work in the public schools.

Rev. C. W. McColl will preach at St. Paul A. M. E. church tomorrow morning and afternoon.

George W. Hines, of North Vernon, Ind., was in the city this week en route to Denver, Colo.

Miss Edna Scott has returned from a two weeks' visit at Chicago, accompanied by her cousin.

Mrs. Claude Dean, of St. Louis, Mo., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Hattie Turner in Miama street.

Mrs. Martha Hall, well-known as "Mother Hall" continues seriously ill at her home in Bright street.

Allen Scott, of Chicago is in the city this week to attend the funeral of his little niece Mary Charlene McCann.

Miss Anna Lancaster of Louisville, Ky., spent Sunday with her father William Lancaster in Alleghany street.

Mrs. J. T. V. Hill has returned from Chicago where she has been visiting her son, William R. Hill and family.

William H. Mayo, and daughter of Lexington, Ky., was in the city last week en route home from a visit at Chicago.

Mrs. Lucy Philpott entertained a nnmber of ladies last week at the Parker House for Mrs. Lena Hubbard, of South Bend.

Onis Williams, formerly of this city now of Cleveland, O., proprietor of the Antler Palm Grill Room was in the city this week.

Superintendent Skelton, of the Indiana District of the Lexington Conference of the M. E. church was in Chicago last week.

Mrs. W. A. Kersey has returned from Chicago where she attended the funeral of Mrs. Nellie Glenwood, formerly of this city.

Mrs. Mary Rudolph, formerly of Lincoln, Ill., who has been residing in this city the past year, left Monday for Danville for permanent residence.

A number of persons of this city will attend the Emancipation Celebration at Madison, Ind., September 22. Hon. W. T. Vernon will make the address.

Master Frank Webster Scott, of Kalamazoo, Mich., who has been the guest of Mrs. S. E. Gray will return home Thursday. Master Scott will represent The Freeman.

There will be services at Simpson Chapel tomorrow at 3 o'clock under the auspices of the Ladies Aid Society, Rev C. E. Hardiman, pastor of Wayman Chapel will deliver the sermon.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Jones and family were in the city last week, the guest of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. William McGee in Torbet street.

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Mr. and Mrs. Otto Hansberry entertained at luncheon Thursday of last week in honor of Misses Lossie Holman and Lee Matthews of Danville. The young ladies returned home Sunday.

A grand musicale will be given at St. Paul A. M. E. church September 11. The program will include numbers by Misses Lotie Brewer, Laura Hogan, Mesdames Mattie Lamont, Kathyrn Samuels, Messrs, Wilson, Samuels and others.

The Ladies Aid Society of St. Paul A. M. E. church will give a grand barbecue this evening in the grove at Hillside avenue and Twenty-fifth street, Take Columbia avenue car to end of line and walk three squares east. The general public is invited.

Mary Charlene, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel McCann died Tuesday from an illness of several weeks of brain fever. The funeral services were held Thursday at the home. Mrs. McCann was formerly Miss Delilah Scott, stenographer at The Freeman.

Earl Hagans arrived in this city last Sunday and will attend school here. Mr. Hagans is the son of Prof. H. E. Hagans of Goldsboro, N. C., who is the head of one of the oldest and most substantial families in North Carolina. The Hagans are relatives of Dr. J. H. Ward, in whose care young Mr. Hagans has been placed,

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### MT. VERNON, IND.

Special to The Freeman.

Peter Boone is able to be out again after the second attack with the typhoid fever. ....The A. M. E. Sunday School was largely attended Sunday, there were several visitors and Miss Nancy Wilson, of Brewer Hill, made a very able address. Next Sunday will be educational day. In the afternoon the Sunday school will render a special program and the adult choir will render the program at night. J. W. Woodfork filled the pulpit for Rev. G. H. White Sunday morning, and Rev. Turner at night....Mrs. Lizzie Smith, of Salem, Ala., is in the city....Mrs. Ethel Clay, of Mt. Vernon, Ill., is in the city visiting her mother and family, Mrs. Jones....Mrs. Rosa Wilson, of Uniontown, Ky., is visiting Mrs. Jones and family....Lemuel Hall, of Indianapolis, passed through the city this week....Miss Winette Donhue will teach in Corydon, Ky., this year.... Bud Harrison and Chas. Dungin, of Carmi, Ill., attended the fair last week.... Henry Duster, one of our most highly respected young men, died last Wednesday evening at his home on Fourth street after three days' illness. His funeral took place Friday morning at the family residence at 9 a. m., under the auspices of the Odd Fellow lodge, assisted by Rev. Turner. He leaves a wife and two children....Mr. and Mrs. Donhue, of St. Louis, were called here to attend the funeral of Mr. Duster. ....Mrs. Minnie Powell and son, Amos, of Terre Haute, attended the funeral of Mr. Duster....Prof. James H. Williams was in the city Friday night and the guest of H. J. Thompson and family....L. S. Garrette and Prof. Wm. C. Felton attended the Grand Lodge at Evansville last week. Little Tosy Jones has returned to the feeble-minded home at Fort Wayne after spending his vacation with his parents....Rev. P. S. Magers, of Henderson, Ky., will visit our city Thursday and preach for the Good Samaritans and remain over Sunday, at which time they will have a rally....Mrs. Mattie Cheetam, of Terre Haute, is visiting relatives and friends....Mrs. Bessie Miten, of St. Louis, is the guest of Miss Sallie Lewis....Miss Pearl Woods spent Saturday in Evansville....The Mt. Zion Free Baptist chureh services last Sunday were very satisfactory; the pastor preached in the morning and evening. The Sunday school services were especially interesting and instructive. Prof. Fred Donhue, of St. Louis, made some very interesting, encouraging and timely remarks....Miss Rachel Turner, of Henderson, Ky., was the guest of Mrs. Johnson Sunday....Mrs. Davis, of Morganfield, Ky., is the guest of her brother and family, Emil Pippin....Mrs. Ellen Wright is the guest of John Offut and family this week.

### HUMPHREY, ARK.

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. Emma Smith, of Memphis, is the guest of her daughter, Miss Alberta Dukes. ....The A. M. E. Quarterly Meeting, held Sunday, with Rev. A. A. Williams presiding, was a grand success. Three members were added to the roll, Miss Ada Carlise, Hattie Olon and Joseph Spearman....Mrs. Georgia Bramlett is attending the Sunday school convention this week at Hensley. ....Col. S. S. Gunse is erecting a fine barn on his place....Rev. G. W. Johnson is now acting pastor of Bayou Meto Baptist Church....Dr. Thomas has returned home from Mississippi and has resumed his regular practice.

### FLINT, MICH.

Special to The Freeman.

The musical concert given for the stewards of the A. M. E. Church, at the G. A. R. Hall, cleared $25.29....Miss Ida Clay, of Detroit, and Miss Sarah Roberson, of Kingsville, Ont., are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Lyons....Mrs. J. O. Linney and daughter Valerya have returned home, after visiting relatives and friends at Connersville, Ind., and Lansing, Mich....Mrs. J. Richerson entertained Miss Gertrude Bailey, of Washington, D. C., and Miss L. Williams....Aldean Barber, of Lansing, is visiting at the home of Mrs. J. O. Linney....Miss Martha Bailey and Miss Gertrude Bailey were the guests of Mrs. Maggie Barber, of Lansing, for a few days last week, and report a fine time....A. H. Douglass, of Goshen, Ind., is in our city, working on the cement sidewalk....Mr. Frank Bailey, one of our hustling young men, has made a venture in the real estate business, having purchased the house and two lots at the corner of Tenth and Liberty streets, paying $975 cash, and is now adding new sidewalks and other improvements.... Miss Nina Becks is spending a few days in Detroit, before returning to her school at Richmond, Ky.....Rev. T. W. Beck leaves to-day for the conference at South Bend, Ind.

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### KANSAS CITY, MO.

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. McNight, head waiter at the Baltimore Hotel, has returned from his vacation through the East....Mrs. Joe Ottie has returned from a very pleasant visit in St. Louis, Mo.....Miss Alice Lenear, 1622 Pacific, is on the sick list....Mr. Perkins, second waiter, and Thomas Price, side waiter at the Baltimore Hotel, are the only waiters admitted to Graine market last week....Mr. Haze Long, head waiter at Coat's Hotel, is back on the floor again....Harry Sanford has returned from Denver, Colo....Mr. Frank Neil, ex-head waiter of the Midland Hotel, is on the floor at the Baltimore.... Mr. Charlie Lewis is head waiter at the Densmore Cafe....Dr. Dibble and Walter Fisher left for Kansas City Sunday night to attend the Elks Grand Lodge in Minneapolis, Minn.

### CLARKSVILLE, TENN.

Special to The Freeman.

John Smith got his hand so badly mashed by an electric ice cream freezer that the doctor had to amputate two of his fingers. He is getting along as well as can be expected....Mrs. Bedelia Jones, of Oakland, Cal., is in the city on a visit to relatives....Wm. Hamton and family have returned from Chattanooga, Tenn. ....Prof. Hines gave us three first-class moving picture shows at Mt. Olivet and Fifth Ward Baptist Churches, on the 24th, 25th and 26th....Mrs. Wm. Moore, Mrs. John Drain and Mrs. Rufus Watkins spent last week in Hopkinsville, Ky., visiting Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Moore....Prof. Henry Hampton is in the city, advancing the African Women's Amusement Company. ...Messrs. Norman Kimbrough, Geo. Kimbrough and Prof. Ellis Bush have returned after a pleasant trip to Niagara Falls....Mr. and Mrs. Wash Dabney entertained a number of friends at their residence, No. 525 Glen street, in honor of Reginald Simmons, of Louisville, Ky. ....Mrs. Jas. Sebre is visiting in Centerville, Ky....Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Cobb returned on the 25th, after a pleasant visit to relatives in Louisville and Lagrange, Ky.....The moonlight picnic given by the stewardesses of St. Paul's A. M. E. Church, at Mr. and Mrs. Louis Proudy's residence, on the 26th, was a grand success....The Queen City Brass Band ordered a new set of instruments of Lyon & Healy, of which they are very proud. ....Our public schools open on the 7th, with Miss Lizzie Ramey as principal. The number of scholars will be larger than ever before. Don't fail to have the children at school early on the 7th, if you want them to get a seat.

### GREENVILLE, MISS.

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T. M. Holloway was in Dallas last week. Mr. Holloway has supplied his barber shop with everything known to the barber's world....Mrs. Allen Rany has returned from McKinney, much improved. ....J. A. Askew, Mrs. G. W. Brown and Mrs. H. H. Reed are still ill....Mrs. Tatton has returned to C'arkville, Tex., after a two weeks' visit with her sisters, Mrs. Ruben Davis and Mrs. Peter Knoll.... Mrs. N. J. Atkinson is visiting out of the city....J. W. Jenkins has moved to Dallas....Mrs. Eli Smith is visiting her mother in Kellyville, Tex....Mrs. Effie Cradock is able to be up again.

### FOSTER SPEAKS WHEN CORNER STONE IS LAID

#### Congressman Defends Colored Race at Ceremonies by Members of Zion African Congregation.

Special to The Freeman.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., August 31.—The cornerstone of the Zion African M. E. Church was laid to-day. The address was made by Congressman Foster, of this city, who said the colored race had made great strides during the last forty years. He pleaded for the equality of the colored man before the law, and said that social equality was not wanted. The speaker said the colored men should keep on climbing and advancing themselves.

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